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Israeli-PLO agreement ends 45 years of conflict

FROM RICHARD BEESTON IN JERUSALEM AND CHRISTOPHER WALKER IN CAIRO

ISRAEL and the Palestine Liberation Organisation last night set the stage for an end to 45 years of conflict, including five wars and tens of thousands of casualties, when they agreed to recognise each other's legitimacy.

The agreement opened the way for the formal signing of an historic peace deal in Washington on Monday.

After nearly two weeks of delays, punctuated by angry responses from hardline Israelis and Palestinians opposed to compromise, Israel's inner cabinet in Jerusalem and Yassir Arafat's executive committee of the PLO in Tunis held their final deliberations to approve their respective documents of recognition.

"This is the end of one chapter and the beginning of a new chapter," Binyamin Ben-Eliezer, the Israeli housing minister, said when he emerged from an emergency meeting at which ten cabinet members were shown the text of the PLO's document and approved their own. "It is a signed document from Arafat. Israel attained all the points it wanted."



Shimon Peres, the Israeli foreign minister, putting the details of the accord before a stormy session of the Knesset yesterday. He faced severe barracking



The exact wording of the mutual recognition letter, which was expected to be signed by today by Yizhak Rabin, the Israeli prime minister, and Mr Arafat, the PLO chairman, was not immediately available. The Israeli portion was believed to be a short declaration, accepting the exiled organisation as the legitimate representative of the Palestinian people.

The PLO portion was thought to be more detailed, covering Israel's five major demands: the recognition of Israel's right to exist under United Nations Resolutions 242 and 338; the renunciation and prevention of terrorism; the nullification of articles in the Palestine charter calling for the destruction of Israel; and the acceptance of the principle of land for peace.

Final agreement between the two sides was held up when Israel demanded that Mr Arafat call on his supporters in the occupied territories to halt their five-year intifada. A breakthrough was achieved when the PLO agreed to urge its supporters to "avoid violence".

Johan Jorgen Holst, the Norwegian foreign minister, helped to overcome the final hurdle in a Paris hotel yesterday by mediating a deal between Uri Savir, Israel's director-general at the foreign ministry, and Mahmoud Abbas, Mr Yassir's deputy in the PLO.

The Norwegian envoy was expected to shuttle between Tunis and Jerusalem last night delivering the signed documents to the two leaders.

The mutual recognition agreement should make a chain of dramatic events possible in the Middle East peace process. The United States is expected to lift its ban on contacts with the PLO, then senior Israeli and PLO leaders will travel to Washington to sign the "declaration of principles". That agreement should pave the way for the signing of a separate accord between Israel and Jordan, and add impetus for a speedy deal between Israel and Lebanon and Syria.

The declaration of principles amounts to the first phase of a "land for peace" deal over the next five years. Under its terms Israel would begin to dismantle its military administration and withdraw its troops from the occupied territories, beginning in the Gaza Strip and the West Bank town of Jericho. Within nine months Israel would have pulled out of all major Palestinian population centres in the occupied territories so that power can be transferred to an elected Palestinian council.

In spite of yesterday's breakthrough, opposition to the agreement was expected to increase, particularly among right-wing Israelis who reject any territorial compromise, and among hardline Palestinians who believe Mr Arafat has sacrificed their birthright.

The architects of the peace plan have deliberately left to the end the thorniest issues, which could derail the process at any point during the interim period. In particular, the status of Jerusalem, claimed by both sides as their capital, the future security arrangements in the West Bank and Gaza, the fate of the 120,000 Jewish settlers in the occupied territories, and the eventual borders of the Palestinian entity are all likely to be bitterly fought over.

Tzahi Hanegbi, a member of the main opposition Likud party, described yesterday's agreement as "a black day for Israel", while in Damascus Ahmed Jibril, a radical Palestinian leader, vowed that a ten-group coalition opposed to Mr Arafat would "sabotage" the plan.

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Clarke puts down cabinet revolt over spending cuts

BY PHILIP WEBSTER, POLITICAL EDITOR

KENNETH Clarke yesterday crushed right-wing demands for an even tougher crackdown on public spending after an unprecedented warning to the cabinet to unite or face the electoral consequences.

Ministers failed to go through with apparent threats to try to reduce next year's £254 billion spending target after John Major and Sir Norman Fowler, the Conservative chairman, told them the party was demanding that they should speak with one voice. The message was a clear rebuke to ministers such as John Redwood and Peter Lilley, who have been identified in recent weeks with a campaign against tax rises in the Budget.

While not questioning the spending total, several ministers including Mr Redwood are understood to have given a warning that the party should not compromise its reputation for low taxation. It is clear that Mr Clarke will still face strong opposition within the cabinet if he decides that a big rise in taxation is needed in his Budget on November 30.

For the moment, however, it appeared that the cabinet dissidents had been brought to heel. Mr Lilley, questioned later at a press conference, said: "I believe that the Budget is a matter for the Chancellor of the Exchequer. As a former Treasury minister myself, I do not believe that his judgment should be second-guessed."

The Chancellor made it clear that he would make no final decisions about taxation until nearer the Budget. In a speech to the Scottish CBI last night he underlined the toughness of the £254 billion target. "It represents an effective real increase of zero per cent. In plain language, that's a public spending freeze," he said.

However, his interview yesterday in *The Daily Telegraph*, containing his strongest hint so far that taxes will have to go up in November, set off a fresh wave of anxiety among right-wing Tory backbenchers.

Sir George Gardiner, MP for Reigate and a member of the 1922 Committee executive, said: "There is considerable anxiety that he will go for increases in income tax. That would run counter to everything we have achieved and it would also run counter to the promises we made at the last general election." Ministers said they had been impressed by the appeals for unity.

Sir Norman told the cabinet after formal business had been concluded that people "wanted a sense of unity at all levels and an end to the leaks from inside the government". He added that they wanted "no further recriminations or divisions" over the next 12 months.

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Europeans follow German rate cut

Economists believe the Chancellor has increased scope for an interest rate cut to soften the blow of any tax rises or to deliver a politically popular move at the Tory conference after reductions on the Continent yesterday (Janet Bush writes). The Bundesbank cut its three key interest rates and cautious cuts followed in The Netherlands, France, Belgium, Italy, Spain and Austria. Denmark, which cut rates on Wednesday, made no further change.

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Short and Kasparov rush to beat clock

BY IAN MURRAY AND DANIEL JOHNSON

A FLURRY of rapid moves enabled both Nigel Short and Garry Kasparov narrowly to beat the clock for the first 40 moves in the second game of *The Times* World Chess Championship at the Savoy Theatre in London last night.

Short, who lost the first game on Tuesday when he ran out of time, finished his 40th move with just under a minute left. Kasparov made his with even less time available. The final half dozen moves were made by both players looking anxiously at the clock and the two arbiters watching to see if the flags would drop. Short appeared to hold the stronger position at this stage.

"Only one man now has a chance of winning," Michael Stean, Short's second and manager, said confidently as the crucial time barrier was passed. Others, however, thought Kasparov had done well not to make any discernible errors during the enforced rapidity of his moves.

Short, playing white, began confidently and aggressively, showing no signs of nerves despite having lost the first game. In fact, Kasparov appeared the more nervous and spent far longer on his early moves, giving Short a distinct advantage in the first period.

Both showed that playing the world championship before an enthusiastic audience was occasionally disturbing their concentration. They asked that the commentators, providing an explanation of what was happening through headphones, should not tell jokes so that people did not laugh and disturb them as they considered their next move.

After 41 moves, Kasparov buried his head in his hands and thought for a long time. With bishop against rook, the world champion was struggling to hang on to a draw, and watching grandmasters argued furiously whether Short could go on to a win.

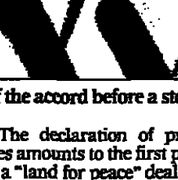
There was also a dispute about whether he missed an important opportunity during the last few moves before the time control, but his relaxed and cheerful appearance suggested that he had the position well under control.

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Autumn fashions



● In the Magazine, Iain R. Webb presents 36 pages of looks for the autumn, embracing nineties sweater girls, Dickensian dandies and the glamorous style of Vivienne Westwood. Plus Sally Brampton's celebration of the rebellious spirit of the young, and Susan Irvine on scents from the past

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● *The Times* is offering readers the exclusive chance to join Chay Blyth's Ocean Challenge 1996-7, which gives amateur sailors the opportunity to sail round the world under professional skippers. *The Times* has secured two berths, one for a man, one for a woman. Full details of how to join the great adventure will be published on Monday

Doctors blamed in smear test alert

BY GILLIAN BOWDITCH, SCOTLAND CORRESPONDENT

IN THE latest in a series of blunders over cervical smear tests, a husband and wife medical team at a Scottish hospital were found to be largely responsible for a catalogue of mistakes that required the recall of 20,000 women for retesting.

The findings, which will alarm thousands of women, blame the couple for running a laboratory that was overworked, under-staffed, and antiquated.

An independent enquiry has uncovered shoddy practices and poor management at Inverclyde Royal Hospital, Greenock. Its conclusions will increase concern about the reliability of the nationwide screening programme.

On Tuesday it was disclosed that 1,100 women in Birmingham have been recalled for repeat tests after a nurse used the wrong spatula.

The report, published yesterday, also criticised the Argyll and Clyde health board for failing to implement a coherent and comprehensive screening programme with adequate quality control checks.

The enquiry, led by Dr Euphemia McGoogan, a senior lecturer in the department of pathology at Edinburgh University's medical school, discovered that the

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Gunship kills Somalis

IN THE heaviest fighting between United Nations soldiers and gunmen so far seen in Somalia, an American pilot flying a Cobra helicopter gunship yesterday fired heavy cannon into a crowd of women and children, killing many of them (Sam Kiley writes from Mogadishu).

At least 100 other Somalis, civilians and militiamen, were killed during four hours of heavy fighting in the capital. Major David Stockwell, the UN military spokesman, said the Cobra pilot opened fire on the crowd "in the last resort" because they were threatening to overrun a company of Pakistani soldiers. Somali gunmen have often used women and children as human shields.

One Pakistani soldier was killed and two others were wounded. Two US servicemen were also hurt.

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Clarke to keep up public pay squeeze

BY NICHOLAS WOOD AND PHILIP BASSETT

KENNETH Clarke last night underlined his determination to maintain the squeeze on public-sector pay rises.

After a year in which increases have been limited to 1.5 per cent, the Chancellor of the Exchequer made it clear that his earlier decision to end the formal pay norm would not mean a relaxation of the current tight controls.

His message amounted to a warning for Britain's five million public servants who cost the taxpayer £80 billion a year in pay. Although Treasury ministers expect some flexibility will be reintroduced into pay bargaining, with annual reports from the independent review bodies covering groups such as teachers and doctors, money marked by Whitehall for pay rises will be limited.

In a rebuff to his right-wing critics, Mr Clarke said in Scotland that next year's public-sector limits amounted to a freeze after inflation was taken into account.

The Chancellor's remarks drew a hostile response from trade union leaders attending the TUC conference in Brighton. The threat of a further squeeze will increase the likelihood that firefighters will vote for a strike next month.

Alan Jinkinson, general secretary of Unison, the country's newly formed biggest union covering health workers and local government staff, said the Chancellor should be in no doubt of the serious consequences of another year of imposed pay policy.

In a tacit admission that companies have been slow to respond to the Treasury's quest for private-sector capital to underpin big new infrastructure projects, Mr Clarke also announced several new measures aimed at encouraging joint ventures between the public and private sectors.

Speaking at the annual dinner of the CBI in Glasgow, Mr Clarke made clear that he saw public-sector pay restraint as critical to his goal of tackling the £50 billion budget deficit and holding down inflation.

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Pilot hurt as helicopter crashes into Strathclyde field



The pilot of this Super Squirrel helicopter was injured after crashing in a field at Lesmahagow, near Douglas, Strathclyde, yesterday. Peter Clunas, 36, of Cromarty, was believed to have hurt his back. No one else was on board

Yard may lose 464 officers in new redundancy plan

BY STEWART TENDLER CRIME CORRESPONDENT

■ The latest scheme to reduce police numbers aims at financial savings rather than operational effectiveness, critics claim

UP to 464 of Scotland Yard's most senior officers face early retirement under the largest redundancy package yet proposed by a British police force.

Announcing the plan yesterday, Paul Condon, the new Metropolitan police commissioner, said the redundancies could save £20 million a year, which would be invested in more officers for frontline policing. He said it was aimed at older police among London's 2,364 officers in the ranks from inspector up.

Mr Condon has written to every officer explaining the plan, saying he did not necessarily expect support for the changes, but hoped officers would understand that fewer managers were needed.

He said yesterday that he hoped the redundancies would be voluntary, but could not rule out enforced retirements.

The redundancy plans have been sent to the Home Office as part of the Yard's response to the Sheehy report on police pay and conditions. Mr Condon said the plan could be achieved at half the redundancy cost figures put forward in the report, which was criticised in the Yard's reply. The report wants to cut the number of ranks, but the Yard's redundancy package suggests instead a cut in the numbers within ranks.

The commissioner said the package, which would mean a 20 per cent reduction in management levels by April 1995, involved some "pump-priming" money. He said that if the Home Office did not provide the cash there would have to be some short-term cuts, although he could say what they would be.

The proposals would be aimed at officers in their 50s who were eligible for pensions because they have worked for 30 years but who had not reached the police retirement age for their rank.

In all, 260 inspectors and chief inspectors would be cut from the current total of 1928; 190 of the 388 superintendents and chief superintendents would leave and 14 of the 48 top officers including commanders and deputy assistant commissioners would retire.

The Yard acknowledged some of the Sheedy report's proposals, including fixed-term contracts and pay being linked to performance. Mr Condon said he accepted the idea of reducing management and ending the concept of a job for life. However, it opposed contracts for junior officers; making 60 the pensionable age; the Sheehy formula for calculating pay, which it said would be a bureaucratic nightmare, and cuts in starting pay.

Mr Condon said police were not against change, but said he would be "disappointed and very disturbed if the full proposals went ahead. It would not be in the public interest".

He said he resented comments by Professor Eric Caines, one of the Sheehy team who have attacked police criticism of the report.

Last night, Chief Supt David Golding, the national president and chairman of Metropolitan police branch of the Superintendents' Association, said he feared the redundancies were being driven by "potential financial savings rather than operational effectiveness". He said they would throw an "enormous" burden on those remaining. The Police Federation is examining the plans.

Doctors blamed in smear test alert

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laboratory gave false negative readings in 70 per cent of cases where there was evidence of cervical disease. It failed to pick up 50 per cent of the most serious types of abnormality. A laboratory with good practices would fail to detect only 20 per cent of cases where disease was present.

Although none of the women who were rescreened was found to have invasive cancer, 114 had precancerous changes that needed treatment and 896 women, whose smears were part of the suspect batch, have not been traced. About 130 are thought to have abnormalities.

In addition, the enquiry had no information as to whether a number of women who went on to develop cancer had been told their tests were normal.

The laboratory was run by consultant pathologist John More who employed his wife Shirley Stanworth. Both have taken early retirement.

Dr More is criticised for failing to keep up to date with developments. He did not consider quality control a priority and failed to arrange a double check on the work of his wife who carried out most of the analysis on her own.

The enquiry said Dr More failed to ensure that his laboratory was staffed properly, or to ensure that cervical smears and reports were stored for an adequate period. Dr Stanworth had no experience of cervical smear analysis when she was first employed in the job at Inverclyde. She did have some initial training, which although adequate at the time, rapidly became obsolete. She did not undertake refresher courses, consult with others in her field or join any of the professional bodies available.

The report says that as time went on: "She became less able to distinguish between some patterns of severe disease and inflammatory changes. Furthermore her ability to identify low grade abnormalities deteriorated."

The mistakes only came to light after a new consultant, Millicent Thomas arrived and was aghast at the laboratory procedures. She introduced a comprehensive system of internal and external quality assurance and changed the record-keeping system.

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Two missing widows found in Ireland

BY JAMES LANDALE

TWO English grandmothers at the centre of an international police hunt have been found by Irish police.

Winnie Bristow, 75, and her sister, Joan Payne, 73, were found by police in co. Offaly after a woman travelling with them was arrested about an alleged fraud in the area.

The pair from East Grinstead, West Sussex, have been sought by police for over a year for questioning about unpaid hotel bills, forged cheques and false bank accounts. They were last sighted in Swinford, co. Mayo, in July after their pictures appeared in a newspaper. Neither has been arrested or charged.

Angela Dodge, 51, who was travelling with the widows with her daughter, Kate, 10, was arrested on Wednesday. At Borrisokane District Court yesterday she was charged with forgery and false pretences relating to an incident at a bank in Co Offaly on August 17. She was remanded on her own bail of £50 to appear in court on September 28.

Consultants reject waiting lists move

BY JEREMY LAURANCE, HEALTH SERVICES CORRESPONDENT

HOSPITAL consultants reacted angrily yesterday to the publication of figures by the West Midlands Regional Health Authority which showed those with the longest waiting lists.

The British Medical Association said it would put the best surgeons — who got the most referrals from GPs — in the worst light.

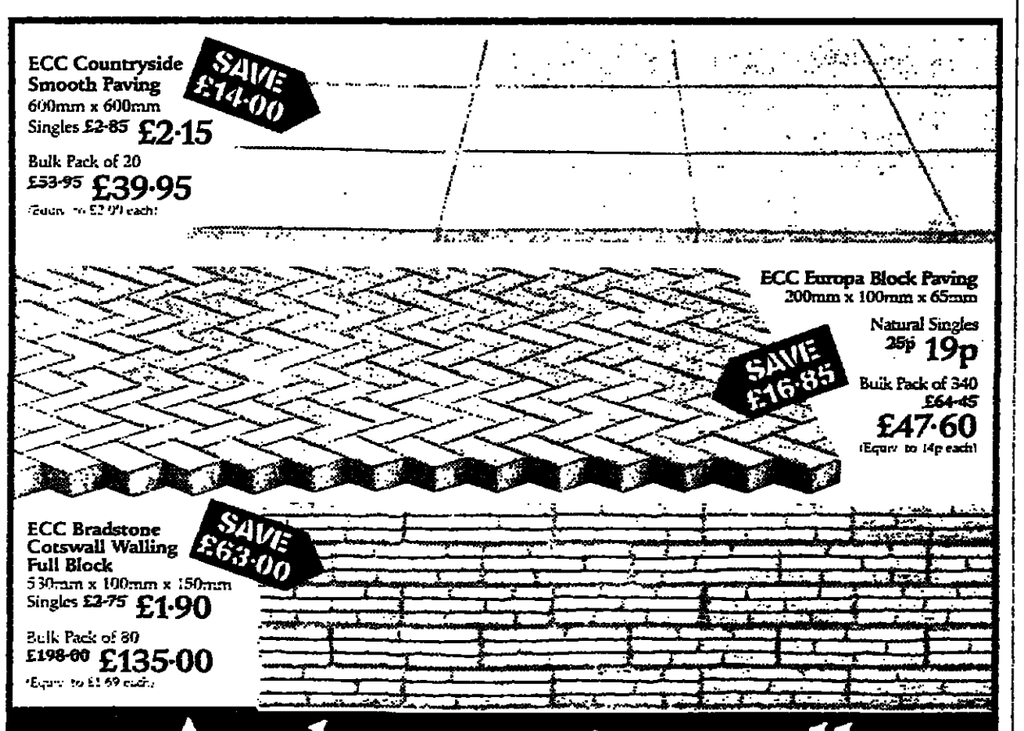
According to the list published in local papers, it takes 104 weeks to get an appointment to see Jonathan Kersley, a knee specialist. Mr Kersley claimed the figures were out of date and said no patient now had to wait longer than 50 weeks for an initial appointment.

"The biggest problem is that in this country we need four times as many orthopaedic surgeons as we have to cope with demand," he said.

The health authority said the move would help patients. Brian Edwards, chief executive, said: "We are not ranking performance. We are simply indicating to the people we serve how long it takes to see an individual consultant."

The BMA has protested in a letter to Chief Medical Officer, Dr Kenneth Calman. Dr John Chawner, chairman of the association's consultants committee, warned that the lists could be misleading. Figures would take no account of the time spent before a patient joined the waiting list, nor of funding problems in the region, and would be several months out of date.

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NEWS IN BRIEF

Asian parents accuse council of racism

Thirty Asian parents accused Bradford City Council of racial discrimination in the High Court yesterday, claiming that their children were being excluded from the city's best secondary schools. Families from the predominantly Asian district of Manningham who tried to enrol their children in popular schools were instead offered places at what their counsel, Philip Engelman, described as a "sink" school with an "appalling" academic record.

Mr Engelman said that Sikander Ali, who brought the action, represented Asian parents who wanted their children to attend popular schools "so they can compete on an equal footing". He showed Mr Justice Jowitt a map which, the parents claimed, illustrated how the catchment areas skirted round Manningham. The council will present its case today.

Labour call for nurseries

Labour yesterday challenged the Chancellor to establish a comprehensive national child care programme in his November Budget. Harriet Harmen, shadow Treasury chief secretary, said the lack of nursery places was damaging the economy. Labour plans to bring private nurseries into a state network to guarantee subsidised places to all three and four year-olds. Ms Harmen said: "Women who could be out at work are at home, dependent on social security. The economy loses out by not being able to use all the talents of women who want to work." Leading article, page 17

Crash driver was not ill

The cause of the Sowerby Bridge disaster remained a mystery yesterday after inquests opened on the six people killed by a runaway 20-ton lorry in the West Yorkshire town on Monday. Suggestions that the driver, Derek Waterworth, had been taken ill were discounted by Alan Edwards, a pathologist, who carried out a post-mortem examination. He said that Mr Waterworth had died several minutes after the impact from crush injuries to his chest. He had a healthy heart and no history of cardiac problems. There was no alcohol in his body.

Good profits in law

Law is still big business, with the hundred top firms grossing more than £2.7 billion and earning £690 million in profits in the last financial year, according to *Legal Business* magazine. Average profits per partner in the top 40 London and regional firms ranged from £377,000 to £61,000. However, the magazine said there were signs that the law was no longer a growth industry but one where firms were fighting for less business. Mergers, asset-stripping and mass defections, particularly among medium-sized firms, were in prospect, it added.

Voice betrayed rapist

Richard Bartlett, 19, of Havant, Hampshire, was jailed for four years by Winchester Crown Court for the rape three years ago of a 17-year-old girl who later recognised his voice in a JobCentre queue. The woman heard his voice across the room and noted down the first three letters of his surname as he spoke to a clerk in August last year. Andrew Barnett, for the prosecution, told the court the woman "turned round and to her horror saw it was the same man. He said, 'Don't I know you?' She denied that she did, calmly waited for him to sign on and went straight to the police."

Postal workers win

Eleven postal workers have won reinstatement or a share of £130,000 in compensation after winning a claim for unfair dismissal. The 11, some of whom were union officials and were activists during a pay strike in 1991, were sacked that year after allegations of an overtime fraud. An industrial tribunal that heard their case for unfair dismissal earlier this year has now found in favour of the 11, who worked for the Post Office in south London. Six have won their jobs back and the other five have accepted lump-sum compensation payments that amount to £130,000.

Police deny test charge

Six policemen appeared in court yesterday accused of failing to breath test a colleague who was seen staggering in the street after crashing his car into a traffic light. Magistrates at Wood Green, north London, were told that PC John Gordon had been drinking for up to ten hours before the crash in Southwark, south London. The two sergeants and four constables deny perverting the course of justice. The prosecution claimed that they were "helping one of their own" and that a breath test was not given because the man involved was a police officer. The case continues.

Girl runner, 12, dies



Melanie Shepherd, 12, left, collapsed and died after training with friends from the Washington Running Club at playing fields at Usworth Comprehensive School, Washington, Tyne and Wear, on Tuesday evening. Preliminary post-mortem examinations on the talented runner have failed to reveal any cause of death and Gateshead coroner's office said further tests were being carried out.

School trip sex claim

A care worker who reported two colleagues for making love on a school trip to France was suspended from duty and accused of drunkenness and swearing, an industrial tribunal in Manchester was told yesterday. Debbie O'Brien, 27, a state-registered nurse from Bacup, Lancashire, quit her job at the Knowl View special school in Rochdale, where she looked after teenagers with emotional behavioural problems. She claimed Rochdale Borough Council constructively dismissed her and sexually discriminated against her. The hearing was adjourned.

Spurs case adjourned

A Tottenham Hotspur fan who scratched "Venables in, Sugar out" on the Rolls-Royce of the football club chairman Alan Sugar had his case adjourned yesterday while he receives psychiatric treatment. Alan McGill, 21, of Chigwell, Essex, had admitted to Epping magistrates two charges of causing criminal damage and one of theft. The incidents followed the battle between Mr Sugar and the former Spurs chief executive Terry Venables over control of the club. McGill also admitted damaging Mr Sugar's daughter's car and stealing her mobile telephone.

Fears grow for Briton

Fears are growing for a British holidaymaker in Turkey who failed to return at the weekend. Family and friends of Roy Dingley, 36, say no one has heard from him since he left Edinburgh on August 18. His credit cards have not been used since leaving for Izmir with a return flight ticket. He had not pre-booked accommodation and planned to tour.

'She felt redundant when her children grew up,' Georgie Fame tells inquest

Singer's wife leapt from bridge when life lost its meaning

BY ANDREW PIERCE

THE wife of the singer Georgie Fame jumped to her death from Clifton suspension bridge, near Bristol, because she felt she "had no purpose in life" after her children had left home, an inquest was told yesterday.

Nicolette Powell, 51, plunged 245ft from the notorious suicide spot after a long depressive illness, which was sparked off when the couple's four grown children moved out. A year earlier she had attempted a drug overdose.

The inquest in Bristol was told that Mrs Powell, former wife of the Marquess of Londonderry who was undergoing psychiatric treatment, seemed determined to die despite the efforts of her husband of 20 years to give her the will to live.

Commenting on the case, Dr John Bonn, a former consultant psychiatrist at St Bartholomew's hospital, London, said the condition, known as "empty nest syndrome", was an under-recognised phenomenon which mothers went through when children left home.

"It is a very significant life event. Many women feel life has lost its meaning. It is particularly significant if it happens at a slightly older age. Women of an older age make less of an easy adjustment to the situation, particularly if their whole life has revolved around their children."

Last month, Mrs Powell climbed on to the railing of the suspension bridge, handed a goodbye note to two teenage girls who were passing by, and told them: "My name is Nicolette Powell. Please raise the alarm." She then leapt to her death in the River Avon. The teenagers are now undergoing therapy.

Fame, whose real name is Clive Powell, was too distraught to give evidence at the hearing. In a written statement to the court, Fame, best known for 1960s hits *Yeah Yeah* and *Bonnie and Clyde*, said: "Just over 18 months ago, Nicolette began to get very depressed. She said she felt redundant because all of her children had grown up and no longer needed her constant attention.

"She asked what was the rest of her life going to be like. Because the family was unable to rouse her from this depression we sought medical attention. She was having consultations every two months or so and appeared for a while to improve. Her condition recently deteriorated considerably.

"I don't think anyone in the family or the medical profession was able to do anything to alleviate her problems. She began to talk about taking her life and questioned her reasons to live. Our marriage had been very happy and loving."

One of the two teenagers, identified only as Miss X, said in a statement to the inquest: "She looked at us and seemed to smile very slightly." After asking them to raise the alarm, Mrs Powell held out a crumpled blue envelope containing her car keys.

"She spoke slowly and calmly and asked me to take the envelope. I did not know what her problem was, but as I walked away with the envelope I realised she intended to commit suicide.

"She put her left foot and then her right foot over the railings and I suddenly thought she was going to jump. I saw her on top of the railings and didn't want to see anymore. I started running. Then I looked back and saw the woman falling through the air."

A verdict of suicide was recorded.

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Georgie Fame's marriage to Nicolette Powell had been "very happy and loving"

Bank robbers grab £300,000 — in 10p coins

BY JAMES LANDALE

THE robbery was carefully planned and executed. A man posing as a bank worker approached a lorry from the Royal Mint as it pulled up behind an east London bank. The driver was seized at gunpoint and another gang member drove away the lorry containing £300,000 — in 10p coins.

"We are looking for people standing in front of one-arm bandits for hours on end," a police spokesman said yesterday. "The gang probably thought they were getting notes, or at least £1 coins — it was an unlucky crime for them to commit."

A Mint spokeswoman said that the 19½-ton haul had little melt-down value. "It would take somebody an awfully long time to get rid of them, because they would have to do it over a long period of time. Otherwise people would notice." The Mint, which said that coin theft was unusual, alerted the main clearing banks, even though the coins cannot be traced.

The lorry was bringing the consignment from the Mint in Llantrisant, Mid Glamorgan, to a branch of Barclays near Spitalfields on Wednesday morning.

The driver was bundled into the van in King John Court, held under a blanket and driven round London for four hours while another member of the gang sped off in the 38-ton container lorry.

The driver, aged 48, from Cardiff, was abandoned in Epping Forest, Essex. He he was found by a passing off-duty police officer who took him to Loughton police station. Scotland Yard said that the lorry, a red Volvo FL10 with a 20ft trailer, had not been found. Detectives are searching for four white men with London accents.

A police spokesman said the driver had mistakenly believed that the man who approached him carrying a personal radio and who took paperwork from him was a bank employee.

A spokeswoman for Rail Freight Distribution, the European freight arm of British Rail, which was transporting the money, said that their driver was "shocked but unharmed".

His name is not being released for security reasons. "When he was hijacked, he was threatened and some of his papers were taken, so the people who were involved know where he lives," the spokeswoman said.

She said that the freight company had held a contract with the Mint for 26 years and that the trip was a regular one.

The spokeswoman declined to discuss the security arrangements for transporting money, but said that although the driver was on his own in this case, staff sometimes travelled in pairs.

"It depends on the value of the load and what it actually contains," she said.

Race gang leaves teenager for dead

BY MICHAEL HORSNELL

A BANGLADESHI student was critically ill last night after being attacked by a gang of whites in the East End of London.

The Police Federation warned of a backlash by ethnic minorities responding to the assault on Quaddus Ali, 17. Det Supt Michael Craik, leading the hunt for the attackers, said: "This is simply an appalling and senseless attack on a young lad who had done nothing to deserve it."

Quaddus, from Stepney, who was left for dead after the beating, is on a life-support machine at the Royal London Hospital, where his condition is critical but stable.

He and three friends were on their way to a video store on Wednesday night when they were attacked by a gang of about eight, including a female, at the junction of Deancross Street and Commercial Road. A witness said the gang had come out of a pub before the assault.

Two of the victims fled and a third escaped after being punched, but Quaddus was cornered, punched to the ground, kicked repeatedly and left with severe head injuries from which he has not recovered consciousness.

The attackers, believed to be aged 18-30, one of whom was naked to the waist, ran away.

Speaking through his younger son Atik, 13, Quaddus's father Moklis Ali said: "It was a racist attack and completely unprovoked. Quaddus is a quiet and kind boy and everyone likes him. He is on a breathing machine and not very good. I do not know why this sort of thing happens."

Quaddus's mother Suratun Nessa said: "The entire family has been awake all night as my son fights for survival. We are feeling shock more than anger at the moment."

The attack is being treated as attempted murder by police, who are appealing for witnesses.

Mike Bennett, chairman of the Police Federation in London, warned of possible retaliations for the attack. "There are certain parts of London where, if we are not careful, we will have a backlash from the ethnic minorities," he said. "There is a view among the ethnic minorities that we, as police officers, are not doing enough. That is not true. You need a deterrent to stamp racial violence out, and that deterrent has to be a severe penalty — a custodial sentence."

Quaddus, who arrived in Britain ten years ago, recently completed a general studies course at Tower Hamlets College and is due to start a science course. Judith Hinman, deputy principal at the college, said: "He is a very able and gentle boy who worked conscientiously."

Newham Monitoring Project, which monitors racist attacks, said the incident was the latest in a "pattern of increasing gang-operated race attacks on the black community in London's East End".



Quaddus: received serious head injuries

Woman told police stepson was killer

A WOMAN told an Old Bailey jury yesterday how she informed on her stepson over the killing of an Asian taxi driver because "he was getting away with murder".

Lillian Lee said she was sickened by the "giggles, smiles, and laughter" of her stepson and his friend as they boasted about the murder.

Mark Lee, 22, her stepson, and his friend Ricky Lee, 18, — they are not related — both deny murder. Mark Lee admits robbery; Ricky Lee denies it. Both are from Custom House Estate, east London.

Mrs Lee, giving evidence for the prosecution, told how her stepson confessed to helping beat up Fiaz Mirza, a 42-year-old father of four, and then drowning him in the Thames late at night.

She said she telephoned the police because the pair's sick boasts about the murder were making her ill.

At the time, Mr Mirza's body had not been found. It was eventually recovered three weeks later.

Mrs Lee said the two men sang a song about the killing, joked about it and spoke in mock Asian accents. She said her stepson mimicked the cab driver's last words, saying "Oh no" and then adding "Splosh".

She said: "It was quite sickening. I just felt sick. Mark said they got £50. It was covered in blood and Ricky washed it."

The prosecution claims that the two men planned to rob the taxi driver and when he resisted beat him senseless. They are alleged to have put him in the boot of the car, driven to Docklands, beat him again and then thrown him in the river, knowing he would drown.

The trial continues today.

Wrens on way to breaching ultimate deep-sea barrier

BY MICHAEL EVANS, DEFENCE CORRESPONDENT

THE Navy's "no touching" rule between servicemen and women at sea could be given the ultimate test after approval in principle by ministers to allow Wrens to serve on submarines.

Although mixed company many fathoms down is unlikely to be introduced for years, recognition that women could one day serve in submarines is a breakthrough for equality between the sexes.

However, accommodation remains the biggest obstacle. Submarines practise "hot-bunking", when sailors hand over their warm bunk to the next man coming off shift. Women would require more privacy. Wrens already serve on more than 20 surface warships but they have their own separate accommodation. Mixed crews are under orders to avoid touching.

Captain Richard Sharpe, editor of *Jane's Fighting Ships*, said it would be impossible to avoid touching in the cramped conditions of a submarine, which patrol for at least three months. "I'm all for women serving at sea but it's going a bit too far to allow them in submarines," he said.

Claustrophobia was largely a female problem, and Wrens would have to be rigidly screened, he said. "I've witnessed a submariner suffering claustrophobia. It was a frightening experience." A review committee at the Ministry of Defence has now recommended that there is "no fundamental reason" why women should not serve in submarines.

But mixed crews would have to wait until a new design of submarine with separate accommodation and washing facilities. That could mean Wrens having to wait until about 2015. The committee recommended a second review in ten years.

Jeremy Hanley, the armed forces minister, is understood to have been dissatisfied with the delay. He wanted to know why the last of four Vanguard class boats could not take Wrens and he has ordered the next review in five years.

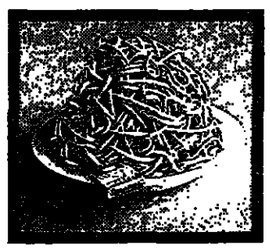
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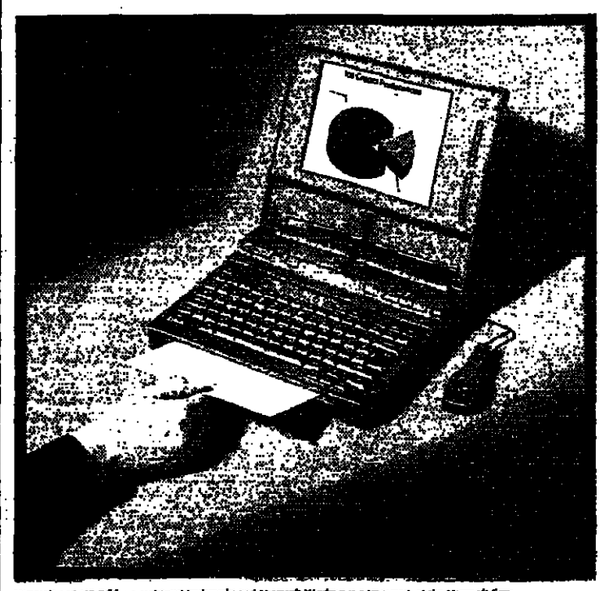
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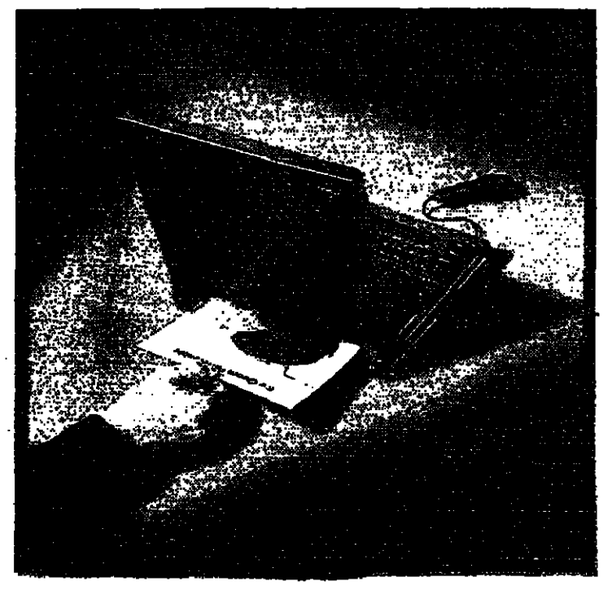
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Oxford student took fatal drug overdose days before finals

BY BEN PRESTON, EDUCATION CORRESPONDENT

AN OXFORD University student unable to cope with the pressure of final examinations killed himself with an overdose of anti-depressant tablets, an inquest was told yesterday.

Lei Don Lau, 22, a history undergraduate at Magdalen College who had consulted counsellors, doctors and psychotherapists, telephoned Singapore to tell his mother: "I am sorry, Mum, I have taken a whole bottle of amitriptyline. I do not want you to call the ambulance."

Ping Sum Lau frantically alerted a student friend of her son, who found Mr Lei semi-conscious in his college room. He died in hospital the same day after swallowing 200 tranquillisers, 15 times the minimum fatal dose. It was the fourth student death at Oxford in the past academic year. Mr Lei died on May 16, 11 days before the start of his finals.

Nicholas Gardiner, the Oxfordshire coroner, recorded a verdict of suicide. He said: "Clearly he was in a state of anxiety centred around his exams and his studies in general. He was simply unable to cope with that anxiety."

Alex Coren, deputy head of Oxford University's counselling service, said after the verdict: "Very clever students are under immense pressures. They seem privileged, they seem bright, they seem clever, they seem able. The reality is very different from their point of view. They are desperate to succeed and are very frightened." The service had been expanded since the spate of recent student suicides.

The inquest was told that Mr Lei, who was sponsored by the Singapore government, was hard-working and tutors expected him to do well. But he became increasingly insular and depressed as his examinations loomed, skipping meals and studying late into the night. He was prescribed anti-depressants after complaining to his GP of anxiety and visited a university counsellor, Mary Marzillier, who referred him to a psychotherapist.

In May, Mr Lei telephoned the counselling service again in a distressed state because his revision was not going well. Mrs Marzillier helped him to draw up a study schedule and arranged for him to sit his finals in college instead of at the examination hall.

She said that Mr Lei became increasingly agitated and telephoned his parents several times a day. "I had asked him about suicidal thoughts and he denied them. I was worried that he would either not sit the exam or would run out once he got there. I did not think there was any risk he would harm himself."

Dr Michael Hobbs, a psychologist with the counselling service, said that Mr Lei was worried about being a financial burden to his parents if he did not pass his examinations.

JULIAN HERBERT



Derek Medway, a woodcarver, working yesterday on a fire-damaged figure in the dining room of Uppark.

Lost skills relearnt at Uppark

BY MICHAEL HORNSBY, COUNTRYSIDE CORRESPONDENT

UPPARK House, the graceful 17th-century mansion set high on the Downs at South Harting in West Sussex, is emerging, in a feat of almost uncannily accurate re-creation, from the flames that engulfed it four years ago.

The National Trust, its owner since 1954, hopes to open the house to the public again on June 1, 1995. Before the fire, the house attracted 32,000 visitors a year.

Wallpaper is being restored in the exact brownish shade to which it had faded. Brighter patches of paper where pictures hung are also being faithfully copied.

Stucco plastering techniques that were going out of fashion by the end of the 18th century have been relearnt. Ornamental motifs, such as fruit and foliage, were modelled by hand direct on to a wet plaster bed and built up in layers.

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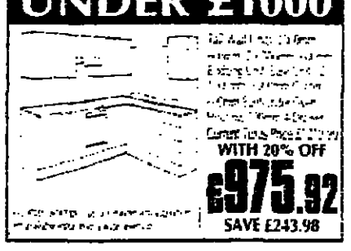
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Radio 3 steps up hunt for younger listeners

BY ALEXANDRA FREAN, MEDIA CORRESPONDENT

CHANGES aimed at giving BBC Radio 3 a more popular appeal were unveiled yesterday. A 15-minute weekday programme for teenagers and a magazine show to introduce classical music to new audiences will challenge Classic FM's grip on younger listeners.

Although Radio 3's weekly audience has remained stable at about 2.7 million listeners since its commercial rival was launched a year ago, the BBC station is desperate to tap into the burgeoning youth market for classical music that Classic FM now serves. The newcomer has 4.5 million listeners a week, one quarter of whom are aged under 35.

Nicholas Kenyon, controller of Radio 3, said that one of the station's great strengths over Classic FM was its emphasis on live performances of new works. He announced that Radio 3 had secured exclusive live coverage of a gala performance by Luciano Pavarotti and Placido Domingo at the Metropolitan Opera House in New York to mark the twenty-fifth anniversary of both opera stars' debut at the Met.

Responding to criticism at the cut in drama, Mr Kenyon has also obtained rights for a star-studded production of *King Lear* with Sir John Gielgud, marking the actor's ninetieth birthday. Radio 3 will also broadcast Tom Stoppard's new play *Arcadia*, starring Felicity Kendal.

Other new features include *Music Matters*, a 45-minute discussion and debate programme, presented by Ivan Hewitt, to be broadcast live on Saturday evenings. It will focus on the national and international music world.

A lively daily youth series on learning about music, still to be named, will be broadcast every afternoon from January.

Boy's antics put mother in fear of eviction

BY PAUL WILKINSON

A WOMAN faces eviction from her council house because of her three-year-old son's behaviour. Daniel Smethurst is accused of smashing garden gnomes, pulling up flowers, swearing, walking uninvited into people's homes and lifting manhole covers in the street.

Other mothers on the estate at Stainland, West Yorkshire, say his behaviour is so extreme that they have barred their children from playing with him; he has also been banned from a playgroup.

Calderdale council has given his mother, Mandy Smethurst, 28, an ultimatum: keep Daniel in check or be thrown out of the council house, which they moved into less than a year ago.

David Proctor, Calderdale assistant housing director, said: "She will just have to do something to make him behave. She is responsible for the actions of everyone in her house. If we get more complaints, we will consider taking her to court and getting a notice to quit.

"But we hope it won't come to that. We realise she has problems, but other people have the right to be allowed to live in peace."

Mrs Smethurst, who is divorced and has two older children, admits that her son is naughty, but believes her neighbours are overreacting.

"He is hyperactive and cannot stay still. I do smack him, but that only makes him worse. The council have told me to keep him inside as much as I can, but you cannot shut a kid up all day."

Joan Nash, 46, has applied for a move to get away from Daniel. She said: "I cannot stand it any more. Everyone round here wants the family to be evicted and would gladly help Mrs Smethurst move her belongings."

Wilfred Dunn, another neighbour, said he lost his garden gnomes to an attack by Daniel. After the smashed ornaments were repaired and secured with 6in nails, the boy smashed them again.

NEWS IN BRIEF

Solent fort is open to offers

A luxury island fortress, put up for sale for £7 million three years ago, is to be auctioned today because there have been no takers, even at a knock-down £900,000.

No Man's Land Fort, in The Solent off Portsmouth, boasts luxury accommodation, indoor swimming pool, gymnasium, tennis court, clay pigeon stand, lighthouse and three helicopter pads.

The converted fort was started in 1860 and in its heyday housed 400 men and 49 heavy guns.

Prisoners on the run

Roy Turner, 29, a convicted robber, failed to arrive at Rudgate open prison at Wetherby, West Yorkshire, after officials at Everthorpe, North Humberside, gave him £3 and told him to make his own way there.

At High Down prison, Sutton, Surrey, Colin Lang, 21, who was on remand, posed as an inmate due to be released and walked to freedom.

Climber falls

A climber was recovering from serious back injuries after falling off a cliff on Iona, Strathclyde. Guy Riggs, 37, who lives on a commune in Scotland, lay undiscovered for 26 hours.

Boy's feat

Joseph Lambert, a nine-year-old diabetes sufferer from Beccles, Suffolk, became the youngest person to walk from Land's End to John o' Groats and raised £4,000.

Leap of fear

A man of 63 was in hospital suffering from spinal injuries after jumping from his third floor flat at King's Norton, Birmingham, to escape intruders trying to break in.

Two cleared

Two youths aged 17 and 18 were cleared after being arrested over the rape of a 14-year-old girl turned off a bus in southeast London on July 4.

Housewife reunites Bosnian families torn apart by ethnic cleansing

War refugees celebrate year of hope in the Highlands

By Gillian Bowditch, Scotland Correspondent

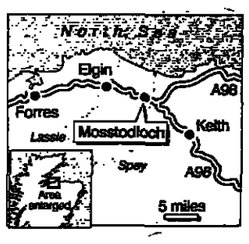
THE tenacity of a Scottish housewife has helped 41 Bosnian Muslims find a haven in the Highlands far from the horrors of the civil war in their country. Next month, the refugees will celebrate their first anniversary in their new country.

Their escape from the fighting was made possible by Clare Findlay, who fought the Home Office to secure entry permits for some of the refugees. She housed them for ten months in her Victorian farmhouse near Elgin, Grampian.

Her efforts meant that mothers and fathers were allowed by the Home Office to join a group of children already in the country. The Bosnians had been told that unless beds could be guaranteed, the Home Office would not allow them to land.

The anniversary will be particularly joyful since the last father, Kasim, was reunited with his family only last month. The first baby to be born to the community since they fled Bosnia is due in November.

All the refugees, including



Emira, the 29-year-old mother of Sanda, 9, and Adis, 6, came from the village of Petrovac, which was made up of 3,000 Muslims and 19,000 Serbs. When the ethnic cleansing started, their futures became even more uncertain.

"Serbs who were our friends turned against us. Some helped us, but every day Serb soldiers came into our village and killed whole families," says Emira. She described watching a neighbour's two-year-old daugher used as a football by Serb soldiers.

The description of them as Bosnian Muslims is misleading. The families do not attend mosque and are entirely Westernised. In Bosnia, Sanda did not know which of her friends were Muslim and which Serb.

Serbs entered the textile factory where Emira worked in April last year and ordered her to leave. On September 12, a Serbian soldier with a megaphone told them they had one hour to leave their homes. With hundreds of others, they went into a camp.

She described the horrifying trip out of Bosnia. The coach they were travelling in dropped them miles from the border. As they made their way through the forest on foot with only a few possessions, they passed the bodies of the coach party they had left the previous day. They had been shot by Serb soldiers.

The children filed passed the bodies of their dead friends, whose throats had been cut. The Serbs were apparantly unwilling to waste bullets on children.

They spent five days waiting for a plane in Split, followed by a seven-hour flight in a cramped ten-seater aircraft with all the seats removed and no lavatories. On landing in Britain, they faced a 16-hour coach ride from London to Elgin. They consider themselves lucky.

The original group of 21 children and four mothers arrived on October 2 last year. The traumas of their escape have not been forgotten. Relatives remain in the former Yugoslavia and for fear of reprisals the refugees do not want surnames published.

Mrs Findlay said that when the refugees arrived they were malnourished and the children needed extensive dental treatment. "Seven or eight extractions each was the norm," she said.

Emira was among the first wave. She said: "When we came here everything was new. The language was new and that was a problem. We did not even know we were coming to Scotland.

"When my children first arrive, they cry. They wake up at night with bad dreams." The children have now settled down. They are lively and well-mannered and play happily with their Bosnian friends, Mirsad, 11 and Ahmet, 7, whose mother Emina is expecting a baby in two months.

The families receive basic income support and child benefit, paid from a special fund for refugees. All but one family are living in private rented accommodation and every spare penny is sent to Bosnia to help elderly relatives who remain there.

They feel bad about existing on state handouts. It is not a situation they have been in before. "When I go to the Post Office I am embarrassed, Emira said. "I hide my face. I would love to work, any job."

Questions about whether they will return to Bosnia and about the outcome of the war are too difficult to answer. "We don't know," said Emira. "I live for my children. If they are happy, I am happy."

Emira's son Adis seems cheerful enough. He claims to have five girlfriends at the local school. Ask him, however, what he remembers about his home in Bosnia and he replies matter-of-factly: "People die".

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JOHN PAUL

Clare Findlay with Mirsad, 11, and Ahmet, 7, two of the Bosnians who have found a safe haven in Scotland

Children learn the value of thrift

By Robin Young

BRITAIN'S young people are thrifty, sensible spenders, anxious to avoid debt and already concerned about the prospects of getting a job by the time they are 12 years old, according to a report published yesterday.

Two-thirds of the 2,000 youngsters interviewed expected to have to work for their pocket money. The average pocket money received has fallen to £3.60 a week from £3.72 last year, although boys get an average of 40p a week more than girls.

Researchers for the TSB interviewed more than 2,000 12 to 17-year-olds. Three-quarters of 12-year-olds expected that it would be "quite" or "very" difficult to get a job, and the proportion increased as teenagers grew older.

The survey found that youngsters generally preferred to save rather than spend and many have "healthy" bank balances. Even at the age of 12, 70 per cent were saving, the bank says, mainly to buy computer games. About 25 per cent of them had some part-time work, earning an average of £6.52 for three hours a week delivering newspapers, babysitting or working in high street stores.

Some 60 per cent of the youngsters in part-time employment believed they were underpaid and almost half said they felt exploited, though half also agreed that work was fun. The research found that 13 to 15-year-old boys earned 7 per cent more than girls of the same age, an average of £2.11 an hour against £1.98.

Part-time jobs contributed about 25 per cent of teenagers' income, while two-thirds came from helping with household chores and almost two-thirds from regular pocket money. At 16, boys receive an average total of £14.51 a week, and girls £10.78, making an overall average this year of £12.72, compared with £16.21 last year.

While many parents were content that their children should do "whatever makes them happy", the youngsters tended to have a clear of what they wanted to do, the survey found.

However, unemployment was named by 36 per cent as the most frightening prospect. Other main fears were drugs, examinations, crime, being without money, and Aids.

WEEKEND SHOPPING

Fish counter tips the scales for bargains

By Tom Watt

MANY of the week's best bargains are on the fish counter. White fish is particularly good value, with Waitrose offering haddock fillets from £1.99 a lb and Gateway selling smoked haddock at £2.39 a lb.

Cod is also reasonable: Marks & Spencer's crumbed cod is £2.89 a lb and Iceland is selling four frozen cod fillets in breadcrumbs for £1.99. The other bargain is salmon. Tesco and Waitrose have farmed salmon steaks at £3.95 a lb, reduced by £1, and this is the last week of the season for wild salmon (the last river closes for fishing on September 16).

Chicken is the best value on the meat counter. Sainsbury's is offering an 80p reduction on fresh chickens up to 4½lb, while Tesco skinless chicken breasts are £2.99 a lb. Lamb is also a good buy: fresh shoulder of lamb is down 35p to 99p a lb at Asda and Sainsbury's.

White Italia grapes are among the week's best fruit buys: they are 58p a lb at Sainsbury's and 59p a lb at Waitrose, although Tesco has the best bargain, at 49p a lb. Gala apples are 38p a lb at Sainsbury's and Waitrose. This week's advertised best buys in supermarkets:

Asda: large frozen chicken, £2.19; fresh lamb shoulder, 99p a lb; red cherry tomatoes, 59p for 8oz punnet; sweetcorn, 19p each.

Gateway: fresh British topside, top rump and silverside, £1.95 a lb; bananas, 25p a lb; smoked haddock, £2.39 a lb; William pears, 24p a lb; 50g smoked salmon pack, £1.39.

Harrods: Belgian smoked ham, £6.25 a lb; baby white artichokes, £3 a lb.

Iceland: frozen chicken, £2.59; chicken Kiev, £2.99 for four portions; garden peas, £1.39 for 4lb; cod fillets in breadcrumbs, £1.99 for four.

Marks & Spencer: eight lamb leg steaks, £7.99; crumbed cod, £2.89 a lb; plums, 59p a lb; Galia melon, 99p.

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Thatcher rewrote cabinet minutes, Baker alleges

BY ALEXANDRA FREAN
MEDIA CORRESPONDENT

■ A series of candid programmes looking at Margaret Thatcher's years in power is likely to reopen Tory leadership wounds

KENNETH Baker accuses Baroness Thatcher of falsifying cabinet minutes when she was prime minister in a television documentary to be shown on BBC2 tomorrow.

Mr Baker recalls how, as education secretary in 1987, he clashed with her over the national curriculum, which the prime minister had wanted to restrict to mathematics, English and science. "I finally won my argument with her on a broad curriculum, including music and arts," he said.

"But by the next cabinet meeting the minutes said the opposite. I took the unusual step of challenging the accuracy of what was recorded in the minutes, implying that they reflected Margaret's personal views rather than the sense of the meeting.

"Margaret asked me to back down, but I refused. I saw her privately and told her that I would continue as education secretary only if we stuck to what was already agreed. She reluctantly accepted my point."

Many of Lady Thatcher's former cabinet colleagues and advisers, including Lord Tebbit, Kenneth Clarke, Lord Parkinson, William Waldegrave, Malcolm Rifkind, Lord Wakeham, Sir Tim Bell and Sir Charles Powell praise the former prime minister in the programme, which is expected to embarrass John Major.

The broadcast, the first of a three-part series presented by Mr Baker, threatens to reopen the three-year-old wounds that resulted from the Conservative leadership contest. It coincides with the publication of Mr Baker's memoirs, *The Turbulent Years: My Life in Politics*, and is the first of many programmes on Lady Thatcher.

Next month, BBC1 will show a four-part series, *Thatcher: The Downing Street Years*, in which she will name the ministers she thought betrayed her. BBC2 will run a week of programmes, called *After Maggie*.

Mr Baker's programme includes as yet unseen footage of Lady Thatcher, including clips from a G7 summit in which she elbows her way from the back to the front of a line-up of state heads as they pose for photographers. Mr Baker said yesterday: "I was very lucky to be at the top table of politics during the years Margaret was in power. It was a time when a great deal was achieved."

In informal interviews, her former ministers describe how she intimidated them. Mr Waldegrave likens the experience to "standing in the exhaust of a heavy turbine into which someone was feeding heavy objects". The overall mood is, however, nostalgic.

Mr Clarke, the Chancellor, recalls: "Personally, I enjoyed it: the sheer decisiveness, the drive, the guts, the self-confidence and the fact that we were led by somebody who knew what she wanted to do. That is now people remember the 1980s."

Mr Rifkind, the defence secretary, describes how Lady Thatcher used feminine charms to cajole and woo Presidents Reagan and Gorbachev: "She was able to project her personality on the world stage in a way that a male British prime minister with the same qualities would have found far more difficult."

Cabinet meeting, page 1

ROBIN MAYES



Kenneth Clarke, Chancellor of the Exchequer, leaving No 10 yesterday after the cabinet met to hear the latest reports of party morale in the run-up to the Conservative conference next month. Clarke hammers right, page 1

Hurd treason claim sent to DPP

BY PAUL WILKINSON

EUROPE and the Maastricht debate came back to haunt the government yesterday when Douglas Hurd, the foreign secretary, and a former junior minister were both accused of treason in Hexham Magistrates' Court, Northumberland.

The JP who was asked to deal with the offences, which still carry the death penalty, referred the issue to the Barbara Mills QC, the Director of Public Prosecutions. Her office will decide whether there is any merit in the claim that Mr Hurd and Francis Maude, a former junior Treasury minister, breached a number of statutes in their dealings with the Maastricht bill and ratification of the treaty. The claim was made by Rodney Atkinson, 45, a Hexham businessman more famous until yesterday for being the brother of the comedian Rowan Atkinson.

Supported by Norris McWhirter, head of the Freedom Association, Mr Atkinson told Muriel Bowman, the Hexham magistrate, they had found seven breaches of the law.

Outside the court, Mr Atkinson said: "I don't think Mr Hurd should quake before the scaffold, but perhaps he and other ministers might take more seriously the words in documents they are signing on behalf of the British people. We have merely performed the duty of citizens and reported what we believe to be a crime."

New town ponders an old puzzle

BY JONATHAN PRYNN

CONFERENCE COUNTDOWN



HARLOW is a confused place. With no history of its own, municipal attempts to add colour to this unprepossessing post-war Essex town have resulted in bizarre clashes of culture. Visitors arriving by train make their way to the town centre by trudging up Allende Avenue, named after the Marxist Chilean leader assassinated in 1973.

Politically, Harlow is equally mixed up. Ever since Harlow rose from the fields of what was then Hertfordshire in the late 1940s, its council has been Labour controlled. For long periods during the 1960s, not a single opposition candidate was returned at local elections. The Conservatives can still command only seven of 42 district council seats and only one of the six county divisions in the town.

For a decade, however, the parliamentary constituency of Harlow has returned a Conservative MP, the ebullient, bearded barrister Jerry Hayes, who last year confined the swing to Labour to 2.7 per cent.

The discrepancy baffles local Tories and consistently confounds their attempts to wrest council control from Labour. Nevertheless, their mood is upbeat. For all the government's travails, they believe the historical trend is still in their favour. The Liberal Democrat surge there is much less than in the South West, leaving towns such as Harlow battlegrounds for Tory-Labour scraps.

David Roberts, chairman of the local Tory association and a district councillor, has detected little of the plunge in morale among local members that has beset the party in the western shires.

"There are always people who disagree with the national policy of the party, even in the good times. I don't think that feeling is any stronger now than it has been in the past," he said.

Until a recent by-election defeat, Tory representation on Harlow council had been at its highest level yet. Mr Roberts predicted Tory control by the end of the century.

Pressed on reasons for the Tories' unpopularity nationally, the local party falls back on the old stand-by, poor presentation of otherwise sound policies. According to Mr Roberts, the government is at fault in not getting the message across on achievements such as increased health spending.

In the rain-swept pedestrian shopping precincts, there was no sign of Tory voters doing a Christchurch and defecting en masse. Thelma Blair, a Tory voter who has lived in Harlow for 30 years, said she could not possibly consider voting Labour because of the council's "terrible waste of money".

With the socialist bogy on the doorstep and no Liberal Democrat challenge for political discontent, the tremors from the West Country are yet to reach this part of Essex.

POLITICAL NEWS IN BRIEF

Fowler meeting cancelled

Sir Norman Fowler, the Tory party chairman, will not this year meet the press to discuss the agenda of the party conference, to be published in the coming days.

Conservative Central Office said last night that there was "no sinister reason" for the move but many Tory MPs will see it as evidence of government defensiveness in the face of grass-roots criticism. This year's agenda is understood to include a number of resolutions criticising the government over VAT, law and order, economic policy and Europe.

Ulster hopes

British and Irish ministers hope to reach a formula today for restarting talks on Northern Ireland after the surge in sectarian violence. They want to persuade unionist MPs to resume talks this autumn.

In London today, Sir Patrick Mayhew, the Northern Ireland secretary, and Dick Spring, the Irish foreign minister, will discuss security and reviving the talks.

Quango move

Labour has launched a "Quango Watch" campaign to scrutinise the quality of service by unelected organisations.

Jack Straw, shadow environment secretary, said one-fifth of all public spending was in the hands of an "unaccountable state". The transfer of local authority services to "vehicles of patronage" contradicted the government's pledge to restore powers to local councils, Labour said.

Shopper's ally

The Liberal Democrats want a department of consumer protection to be set up to counter the influence on Whitehall of industrial and agricultural lobbies. Matthew Taylor, the party's citizen's charter spokesman, said too many ministers were responsible for producers' interests.

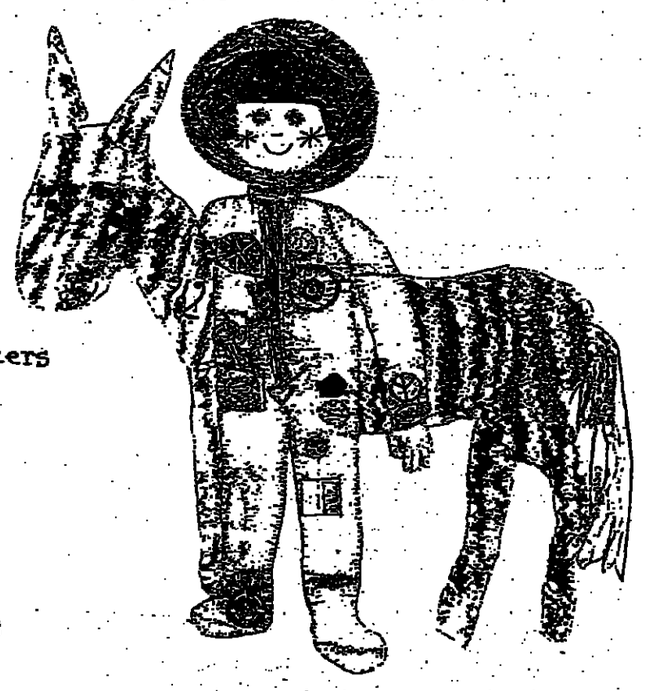
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Electricians return to TUC fold amid 'unity of the grave'

BY PHILIP BASSETT
INDUSTRIAL EDITOR

Trade unions yesterday called on a future Labour government to renationalise the coal industry if the government goes ahead with its planned privatisation. The TUC unanimously approved a motion from the National Union of Mineworkers condemning the government's pit closure programme and called for a new energy policy which would involve the reopening of mines closed down. Arthur Scargill, NUM president, said the pit closures announced last October were a vindictive attack on the mining industry and the NUM. He also criticised the TUC for not supporting calls for general strike action.

ELECTRICIANS expelled from the Trades Union Congress five years ago were finally readmitted to the TUC yesterday amid one of the most bitter public arguments between trade unions ever seen.

The abusive debate, which included the leader of one union dramatically tearing up a letter from another while at the conference rostrum, came 24 hours after John Monks, who takes over today as the TUC's new general secretary, called for unions to unite in a new, co-operative form of trade unionism.

Mr Monks accused the conference of enjoying "slagging each other off" and said: "I bet the government has loved this."

He added later that he had not liked what he had seen in the debate and that it would leave "deep scars" among the unions, though he welcomed the return of the electricians as reuniting British unions in one single national trade union centre.

Bill Jordan, president of the Amalgamated Engineering and Electrical Union (AEEU), which will now affiliate all its members to the TUC from October 1, including the electricians who were expelled in 1988, said the "disgraceful" scenes in the debate showed the "ugly face of trade unionism to the British public" at a time when it needed to look for renewed public support. He said that the public ripping up of his letter by Bill Morris, general secretary of the TGWU transport union, was "one of the worst glimpses of trade unionism that the public have ever had to see". Mr Morris later said he had no regrets about doing it, or about the accusations he had made against the electricians.

The TUC conference approved by 4,303,000 votes to 2,837,000 a statement from the TUC's governing general council setting down the terms of the full affiliation of the AEEU. Left-wing unions such as the TGWU, the building union Ucatt, the GPMU print union and the POA prison officers believe the terms are too lenient and do not deal with outstanding problems of membership poaching, such as in the construction industry in particular. But TUC leaders were confident of the vote in favour of full affiliation in the knowledge that Unison, the giant public services union that alone wields a fifth of the entire votes at the TUC, would be supporting it.

The decision reverses the expulsion of the electricians, who were ejected for refusing to accept TUC rulings over membership poaching. Once outside the TUC, they made a number of raids on other unions' memberships, which had to be resolved by a long and careful process of conciliation, leading to the terms laid down for and accepted by the full AEEU.

After days of behind-the-scenes wrangling, left-wingers tried right up to the last moment to get the conference to consider an alternative to the terms, an emergency motion deferring the electricians' return until all the outstanding inter-union problems had been resolved.

But after angry procedural clashes, in two tough speeches Mr Monks took command of the highly charged debate and in what he said was the "bear-pit" atmosphere of the conference urged delegates to vote to readmit the electricians.

Mr Morris told the conference that the electricians had "plundered and pillaged" other unions' members. Ripping up Mr Jordan's letter, he said: "We are not turkeys and we are not voting for Christmas." Ken Cameron, of the FBU fire union, said readmitting the electricians would lead to the "unity of the grave".

NEIL MUNNS



Scargill on the Brighton rostrum yesterday: "Don't talk to me about marches"

Scargill's merciless, monster wit stalks the earth again

BY PHILIP BASSETT
INDUSTRIAL EDITOR

ARTHUR Scargill admitted yesterday that he was a dinosaur. Well, not quite: but after years of being accused by Fleet Street of being a prehistoric throwback, the miners' leader accepted that some of his colleagues viewed him as part of the unions' Jurassic Park.

Arthur's self-revelation came because spontaneity was delayed at the Trades Union Congress. For two days, left-wing unions had planned to walk out of the TUC conference — spontaneously, of course — but the protest was repeatedly delayed while the 11 unions involved held yet another meeting to plot their opposition to the readmission to the union bosom of the expelled electricians.

While the conference waited with less than bated breath, it was left to the TUC's traditional best turn to provide the entertainment. After days of quiet, careful speeches from the quiet, careful men who now run the TUC and the Labour party, Arthur was back.

This was the old Arthur: funny and rampaging, attacking all around him — the government, British Coal, the Labour party and, of course, the TUC. Walking up Downing Street with Norman Willis, who retires today as TUC general secretary, to deliver a petition on pit closures to the doorman at No 10 had clearly irked him. If the TUC had got off its knees and organised a quick general strike, he said, he would have been meeting John Major walking down Downing Street to deliver his resignation to the Queen.

Arthur had had enough of the TUC's new tactics. "Don't talk to me about marching," he snapped at the delegates, though they hadn't been. "I've walked further than Mao Tse-tung!" A series of such instructions followed: "Don't tell me about a broad-based campaign with the churches" — he had seen enough of church leaders during the miners' protests to make him a favourite to be the new Bishop of Durham.

Never a man devoted to hiding his light under a bushel, Arthur said he had been supported in his campaign against the pit closures "from Chesterfield to Cheltenham". "In the last nine months, I have become so popular that even Bill Jordan thought Steven Spielberg had resuscitated me from Jurassic Park."

After blasting out a series of high-velocity statistics to prove that Britain produced "the cheapest deep-mined coal in the world", Arthur recounted an imaginary extension to the "Camillagate" tape, taking on the voices of Prince Charles and Camilla Parker-Bowles in a spoof conversation about the price of coal versus nuclear power.

Then it was over, and for the delegates the only other entertainment in prospect was the walkout that never happened.

The left redefines itself - without a lead from Labour

RIDDELL ON POLITICS

What does it mean to be on the left? is not a question that worries John Smith. For him, the answer is an instinctive reassertion of traditional Labour values: in practice, a mixture of moral outrage at Tory policies and "one-more heave".

He dislikes ideological debate. That is not enough for the intellectual left, which this weekend is seeking to redefine itself at a conference organised by the Institute for Public Policy Research, the left-of-centre think tank.

Significantly, the only member of the Labour leadership attending the conference is Gordon Brown, who has made himself unpopular with many of his shadow cabinet colleagues by raising these awkward ideological questions. The conference, to be attended by, among others, Michel Rocard, president of the French socialists and a possible candidate for president in 1995, reflects the disarray on the left. A common theme in the digests of the papers is that the familiar class analysis is out of date: in effect, socialism is dead. The question is no longer the transition from capitalism to socialism, but how to run capitalism more successfully taking account of new and more complex inequalities.



Brown: raising awkward questions

The emphasis is on citizenship rather than class, enhancing individual rather than group opportunities and on the state as enabler and strategic planner rather than provider.

There is, however, a big gap between such rethinking and the day-to-day Labour debate. That is partly because of the impenetrable language of much left-wing debate. The IPPR seeks to act as a bridge by by involving Labour MPs in its seminars and by work, such as the Labour social justice commission, a big study on the welfare state and its quarterly *New Economy*. The debate has few echoes within the shadow cabinet, where discussion over the party's future tends to be personalised into a factional battle between modernisers and traditionalists.

Such infighting exists and Mr Brown has been forced on the defensive, in part because some of his colleagues feel he has failed to consult them fully. The squabbling has diverted attention from his central, and unarguable point, that Labour needs to redefine its stand on spending and taxation as part of a broader reassessment.

In his paper on Sunday, he will discuss what it means to use markets in the public interest, the role of government in breaking down concentrations of power and the role of the state in the economy. Mr Smith has seldom addressed these central economic issues, being stronger on advocating changes in Britain's constitution. His most recent contribution, in his address to the TUC on Tuesday, reaffirmed a "labourist" approach, stressing union and worker rights even beyond those envisaged in the 1970s.

That may help give him victory at the Labour conference on one member one vote in party decisions. But in the long-term, his stand could be very damaging electorally. Just when the intellectual left is engaged in an open debate over its identity, Mr Smith has placed himself in the traditionalists' camp, highlighting the party's links with the unions which have helped Labour lose four elections, and could do so again.

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THE TIMES WORLD CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP

- Nigel Short played an aggressive opening as he sought to get back on terms with Garry Kasparov
- Kasparov glared, Short fidgeted but neither won an early advantage in the second championship game
- Both players were soon looking nervously at the clock, which had defeated Short in the first game

Kasparov comes under time pressure in second game

Aggressive Short seeks vengeance for defeat

BY IAN MURRAY AND RAYMOND KEENE

NIGEL Short wore black to play White yesterday as he aggressively opened the second game in *The Times* World Chess Championship at The Savoy Theatre in London.

Black seemed to suit his aggressive mood, as he sought to square the match at one game all. After losing on Tuesday because he ran out of time, the British challenger initially seemed more worried by the clock than by Garry Kasparov. The world champion, too, who had also come perilously close to using up all his allotted two hours during the first game, was quick to play his first few moves.

The audience, listening through earphones to a commentary by a panel of grandmasters, were under orders to watch in total silence. During the first game they had once or twice chuckled at the commentary.

Short slowed after the first few moves, after Kasparov made a move which surprised the experts, and the world champion was quickly out of his seat to stride round beside the stage. As the battle became more intense, Kasparov in turn began to take longer and longer in working out his next move. With only 40 minutes each left, both players still had to make another 20 moves to avoid falling foul of the clock.

Clearly thirsting for vengeance after his defeat in game one, Short opened with his customary pawn attack, pawn to king four, to which Kasparov replied with his favourite Sicilian Defence.

The Sicilian is something of a gamble. If Black survives the opening he can look forward to a good end game. Many chessplayers have suffered early shipwreck with the Sicilian, being checkmated in the middlegame before the endgame arrives. Nevertheless, Kasparov has always done well with it. Interestingly this is the first Sicilian Defence in world championship play for the past eight years.

White: Nigel Short
Black: Garry Kasparov
Sicilian Defence

1	e4	c5
2	Nf3	d6
3	d4	cxd4
4	Nxd4	Nf6
5	Nc3	a6
6	Bg5	Nc6
7	Qd2	e6
8	0-0-0	Bd7
9	f4	h6
10	Bh4	g5
11	fxg5	Ng4
12	Nf3	hxg5
13	Bg3	Be7
14	Be2	Nge5
15	Kb1	b5
16	Rdf1	Rc8
17	Nxe5	Nxe5
18	Rf2 -	f6
19	Rhf1	Bc6
20	a3	Bb7
20	a3	Bb7
21	h3	Nc4
22	Bxc4	Rxc4
23	Qd3	e5
24	Re2 Qc8	
25	Rf5	Rxc3
26	bc3	Qa6
27	Kb2	Kd7
28	Rf1	Qc4
29	Qxc4	bxc4
30	Ka2	Bc6
31	Rb1	Bd8
32	Rb6	Re8
33	Bf2	Ba5
34	Rxe8	Kxe8
35	Kb2	Kf7
36	Ba7	Ke6
37	g4	Bd8
38	Kc1	Be7
39	Re3	d5
40	fxd5+	Kxd5

MICHAEL POWELL



Short, top, and Kasparov, concentrate on the board during the early stages of yesterday's game

Federation launches a festival of chess

BY RAYMOND KEENE, CHESS CORRESPONDENT

THE British Chess Federation is organising a Festival of Chess during September and October. This will include nationwide simultaneous displays, blindfold chess, lectures in schools and clubs, live chess displays, rapid play competitions and regional commentaries on the world championship match as it happens.

The British Chess Federation council has approved a generous grant of funds to support such events. For further information about events in your area contact either the British Chess Federation on 0424 442500 (9a Grand Parade, St Leonards-on-Sea, East Sussex TN38 0DD) or write to the Festival Director Simon Brown, 41B Elsynge Road, London SW18 2HR (081-871 9363).

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Ticket offer

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In the rival Fide championship the Dutch grandmaster Jan Timman wrongfooted Anatoly Karpov by returning to the strategy which failed him in the first game.

White: Timman
Black: Karpov
Caro Kann

1	e4	c6
2	d4	d5
3	Nd2	dxe4
4	Nxe4	Nd7
5	Bc4	Ngf6
6	Ng5	e6
7	Qe2	Nb6
8	Bd3	h6
9	N5f3	c5
10	dxc5	Bxc5
11	Ne5	Nbd7
12	Ngf3	Qc7
13	Bf4	Bb4+
14	Nd2	Bxd2+
15	Kxd2	0-0
16	Rhd1	Qb6
17	Kc1	Nd5
18	Bg3	Nc5
19	Bc4	Bd7
20	Nxd7	Nxd7
21	a4	Rac8
22	Ra3	Qb4
23	Bxd5	exd5
24	Qb5	Qe4
25	Qd3	Nf6
26	Qxe4	dxe4
27	Rb3	b6
28	Rb5	Rc6
29	Rd6	Rxd6
30	Bxd6	Rc8
31	h3	Rc6
32	Bf4	Nf8
33	Be3	Kf8
34	Rb4	Nf6
35	b3	Re6
36	Rb5	Ke7
37	a5	Nd7
38	axb6	axb6
39	c4	Rg6
40	g3	Rd8

Match continues

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Mephisto CHESS COMPUTERS

Combatants join in furious Sicilian dance of death

BY DANIEL JOHNSON AT THE SAVOY THEATRE

CHESS openings resemble dances: all have patterns as distinctive as the rhythms of a pavane, a gavotte, a waltz; all are capable of infinite variation. Nigel Short knew that, to become world champion, he would have to blunt Garry Kasparov's most dangerous weapon with the black pieces: the Sicilian Defence. Playing White in yesterday's second game, Short allowed himself to be swept along by Kasparov into a dance of death, a *danza alla Siciliana*.

The Sicilian Defence takes its name from a 16th century priest, Pietro Carrera, who happened to live there, but its complexity and volatility are reminiscent of the island's Arabian-Byzantine-Norman past, with the Sicilian Vespers in the 14th century the most famous of many massacres. Paul Morphy, the 19th century chess genius, denounced the "pernicious fondness" of the public for the Sicilian, but its popularity has increased.

Short played straightforwardly against Kasparov's counter-offensive. The Russian opened up the position on both wings and then established a powerful central outpost for his knight in front of the isolated White king's pawn. Kasparov's king barricaded himself behind bishops and pawns.

At first sight Short's white pieces appeared to have been repulsed, and in the early stages he consumed much time pondering a position that was by no means new; but his pieces co-operated harmoniously behind the lines and, above all, his king was safe. The same could not be said for Kasparov's monarch, whose position in the centre of the board — he could no longer castle safely — began to look distinctly vulnerable around move 19, as Short's rooks doubled up on a file leading directly to the Black king. It was the world champion's turn to sink into a deep analysis: as in the first game, the prospect of a scramble to make 40 moves before the time control began to loom.

On move 21, Kasparov made an aggressive lunge, swinging his cavalry into the attack against Short's king. But with this dangerous attempt to seize the initiative, the world champion risked opening up lines for Short's long-range battery of rooks. The Black knight was swiftly exchanged for one of Short's bishops, and Kasparov then sought to block the centre with a "stonewall" formation of pawns. For this, too, he paid a price: there were two weak squares on d5 and f5, which White's remaining knight could occupy, and two "backward" pawns on d6 and f6 on which Short might train his heavy artillery.

☐ **Lively betting:** Betting shops report a rapidly growing interest in *The Times World Chess Championship*, with considerable money going on Garry Kasparov (Ian Murray writes).

William Hill, the official bookmakers for the championship, is carrying the games live in many of its 2,000 shops. "It's proving very promising business," Graham Sharpe, a Hill's spokesman, said.

Kasparov was the clear favourite with odds of 1/5, while Short was 9/2 and match tied at 12 points each was an outside chance at 01/1. Hill's largest bet received so far was £6,000 on Kasparov to win. Ladbroke's also reported brisk and growing business.

☐ **Times guide:** The last three parts of *Men of War* will appear on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday next week.

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Threads that link two Nigels

British success at sports and games has been thin on the ground of late, but this could yet be remembered as the year of the two Nigels.

Nigel the Elder, Mansell, 40, seems to be on the verge of becoming the greatest boy racer in the world, as he moves closer to victory in the American IndyCar motor racing championship. Nigel the Elder is a great hero to Nigel the Younger, Short, 28. Now Short, too, has left the starting grid as he attempts to become world chess champion.

There is a thread that links them beyond coincidence of Christian name. Both are renowned for their courage: Short for his gutsiness in one-on-one competition, Mansell for his never-failing desire to push his foot through the floor of his car.

Chess is supposed to be a cerebral pursuit, but half an hour at the Savoy will give the lie to that. This business is as visceral as any other high-level competition. Motor racing people put it it eloquently, in language unsuitable for newspapers. They imply that a first class racing man has sexual parts of solid brass. Short has shown that he has 'em too. Up to a point. But now he is involved — up to his neck — in the ultimate test of the soundness of his personal allocation of brass.

The two Nigels have something in common apart from pure courage, and that is an appearance that doesn't fit conventional ideas of the dashing and courageous young hero. It would be inaccurate as well as cruel to describe either of them as nurdish: perhaps the *mot juste* is Nigelesque. With each man, there is a faint whiff of the anorak.

Of course, such a perception says more about the people who hold it than the people it describes. Courage does not follow conventional rules, or take conventional forms. And there are further threads that link them. Mansell is famous for roaring, bull-shoving competitive frenzy in tight situations: he is famous for flat-out charging victories. He is a man of tremendous flair — and he has a tremendous flair for disaster.

SAVOY SCENE
By Simon Barnes

Short has already shown a Nigelesque taste for disaster. There are times at all kinds of competitions when the ignorant and unskilled audience seems infinitely wiser than those taking part. Faster, you wanted to yell on game one, but Nigel contrived to build a winning situation from a certain draw then to pluck defeat from the jaws of victory as he ran out of time. To do the first was brilliant: to add the second showed Nigelesque qualities of near-genius.

I was reminded of Mansell, waving to the crowd on his final lap before the car broke beneath him; of Mansell missing first gear on the grid; of Mansell forever explaining to the world that it certainly wasn't *his* fault.

Mansell has a taste for adversity: so does Short. Mansell turned years of disappointment into victory as he won the Formula One championship last year. Short has contrived to start all his most recent and most massive matches by losing. From then he has invariably gone on to win, or he wouldn't be here.

A final thread between Nigels. Mansell, a man who feels perpetually unrewarded, left Formula One for America, where he is happily treating all America to his *Spitfire pilot impersonation*.

Short has also split from the organisation he grew up in, as he and and Kasparov broke from Fide to form the Professional Chess Association. The unconventional move worked for one Nigel: we shall see if it works for the other.

The big IndyCar race, the Indianapolis 500, has something no Formula One race possesses: a concrete wall. Drivers must brush this at 200mph: it is the most fearsome thing in motor-racing.

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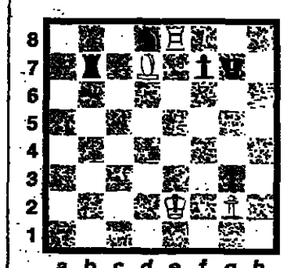
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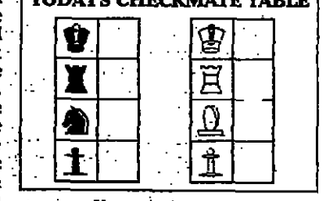
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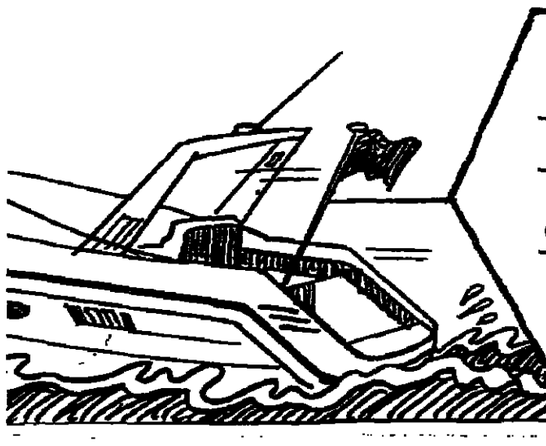
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South African leaders shy away from realities of power

BY R.W. JOHNSON

■ Euphoria over the deal on a new ruling body has quickly passed. Another mass killing near Johannesburg may be merely a foretaste of the law and order challenge

THE celebrations over the announcement that a transitional executive council will soon be set up effectively to take over the government of South Africa, bringing an end to all sanctions and boycotts, has given way to speculation about the difficulties the council will face. This week's massacre of 28 commuters has punctured the early euphoria.

The council's fundamental task is to create the conditions in which free and fair elections can be held; many feel that is an almost impossible objective, given the high levels of violence and intimidation which exist in large parts of the country. In that sense the latest commuter massacres may be merely a foretaste of what is to come.

The transitional council will also have to function in effect as a government of national unity across the whole range of policy areas, incorporating not just the National Party and African National Congress, but representatives of the homelands and smaller parties as well. Somehow, it will have to achieve a 75 per cent consensus between all these parties. There are already signs that some frontline politicians are in no hurry to serve on the council, which is likely to last for only four to six months — too short to build a career on. It will, however, have to take responsibility for some tough law and order decisions amid the electoral tumult.

Frederik van Zyl Slabbert, the former opposition leader, is known to have ruled himself out of consideration, while Cyril Ramaphosa, the ANC secretary-general, has been busily inspiring press reports that urgent organisational work will prevent him from taking part.

Although the ANC has worked hard to achieve this agreement, it will face an awkward transition to a party of government. Strictly speaking, the transitional council will not be the government, but it will preside over and monitor (with veto powers) the operation of the existing government. Final responsibility rests with the council and this will create some awkward dilemmas for ANC politicians in mid-campaign. It is difficult to see, for



Mandela: white police must leave townships

example, how Nelson Mandela, the ANC leader, can continue to demand that white police be removed from black townships if the ANC is soon to take a colour-blind responsibility for the police force, or how Thabo Mbeki, the ANC's national chairman, can threaten a return to the armed struggle while playing the arch diplomat at the foreign ministry.

No doubt we shall see some egregious grandstanding from all parties, but the ANC will find it hardest of all to tame its rhetorical instincts; unlike its probable partners, it has no experience of government at all.

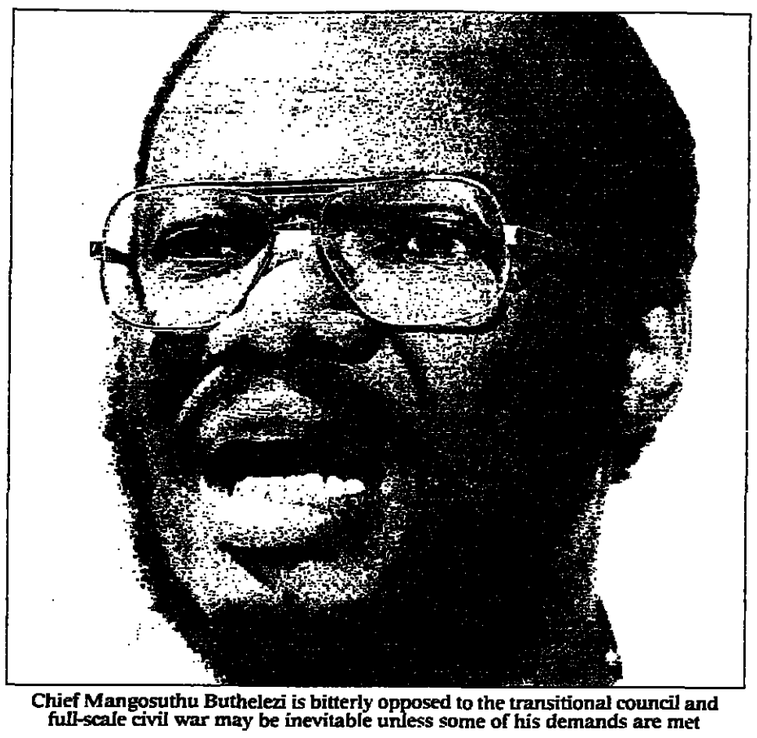
The biggest problem, however, is that Mangosuthu Buthelezi's Inkatha Freedom Party and its white conservative allies, have already announced that they will refuse to participate in a transitional council, and they are almost bound to see the setting up of such a body as an effective ganging up against them. Accordingly, we shall now see a frantic period of bargaining aimed at coaxing Chief Buthelezi to change his mind.

This looks extremely unlikely, since Chief Buthelezi has announced that as far as he is concerned a state of low-intensity civil war exists and that the situation can only deteriorate if the ANC forces are now given a peacekeeping responsibility.

His stance seems to suggest that Inkatha may regard the handover of authority to a transitional council as a virtual declaration of war. What is certain is that Chief Buthelezi and his allies on the white right feel they are being backed ever more tightly into a corner. Since the council is likely to be set up in November, the crunch cannot be delayed for long. Either a deal will be done, substantially more on Chief Buthelezi's terms than anything seen to date, or full-scale civil war will erupt.

☐ Pretoria: The Pretoria supreme court yesterday threw out a challenge by Chief Buthelezi's KwaZulu black homeland on the way decisions are taken at South Africa's democracy talks. KwaZulu, which with the Inkatha Freedom Party quit the talks on July 2 when a date was set for all-race elections, brought an action seeking to overturn the election decision and others taken by sufficient consensus.

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Chief Mangosuthu Buthelezi is bitterly opposed to the transitional council and full-scale civil war may be inevitable unless some of his demands are met

Troops sent back into townships

FROM RAY KENNEDY IN JOHANNESBURG

PRESIDENT de Klerk ordered South African troops to be sent back into the townships outside Johannesburg yesterday after the cold-blooded ambushes by unidentified gunmen on taxi commuters that left 28 people dead and more than a score badly injured in 24 hours.

His order came only two days after 3,000 troops were withdrawn from the East Witwatersrand area where hundreds of people have been killed in politically based violence during the past two months. He said that a force of 250 troops would be used to maintain a visible presence in the area and to try to prevent further violence.

The ambushes at Wadeville, near Germiston, east of Johannesburg, occurred within 48 hours of negotiators at the constitutional democracy talks reaching a landmark deal on the establishment of a transitional executive to work alongside the cabinet until next April's scheduled all-race elections. The attacks have sent a new wave of shock and fear through black and white communities. Only days ago, tens of thousands of South Africans of all colours held hands in the streets in a mass demonstration for peace.

Nelson Mandela, the president of the African National Congress, reacted bitterly to the killings on a visit to Cape Town. "Whenever we make a breakthrough in the negotiations these massacres occur," he said.

His remarks also contained a thinly veiled rebuke to Chief Mangosuthu Buthelezi, the leader of the Zulu-based Inkatha Freedom Party, which is boycotting the negotiations. Mr Mandela said that forces opposed to political change would like to see the ANC retaliate and set off a civil war. "There are those leaders who are not so responsible who keep on fuelling the violence and speak of a civil war," he said.

Gunmen opened fire early yesterday from a road bridge on three vehicles, two cars and a minibus taxi, near the East Rand town of Leondale, close to the scene of Wednesday night's massacre. Police said that two gunmen were involved in the latest attack in which two people were killed and two more injured.

Police have offered substantial rewards for information that will lead to the conviction of the killers. In his statement yesterday, President de Klerk said a team of 30 detectives was being assigned to the investigation.

"This cycle of violence can be stopped only by the parties directly involved," he said. "The leaders of the ANC and IFP should meet as soon as possible at national, regional and local levels to put an end to their conflict."

Themba Khoza, the East Rand leader of Inkatha, echoed the call. He said peace could be achieved "if we can earnestly come together under the peace accord structures. If we can go all out and stop politicking and address the real issues, the violence can be checked."

But Joe Chioli, a spokesman for the Conservative Party, said it was all the government's fault. He said it should halt all negotiations with "terrorist" organisations. "This kind of bloodshed is only an example of what to expect in the National Party-designed new South Africa," he said.

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Israeli foreign minister seeks escape from darkness cast by 'shadows of yesterday'

Peres shares his dream for rich and open region

The architect of the accord believes the miracle of postwar Europe can be repeated in the Middle East, writes ***Richard Beeston*** *from Jerusalem*

IN A modest corner of what was once a British army barracks, Shimon Peres, the Israeli foreign minister, is already planning the next *stage of the revolution that he* has helped to create in the Middle East.

Surrounded by a handful of aides, and inspired by some photographs of David Ben Gurion, his mentor and Israel's first leader, Mr Peres, who masterminded the secret deal with the Palestine Liberation Organisation, is now concentrating his efforts beyond the present negotiations to a vision of a peaceful, prosperous future for the region.

"I feel this is the beginning *of the job. I am not tuned into* the glory of the past. I am attracted to the potential of the future," said the veteran politician, whose heavy Polish accent does not detract from his eloquent English or his urbane manner. Like most Israelis who were born in Poland before the second world war, Mr Peres, 70, still likes to keep a European perspective in his approach to the generally far more convoluted world of contemporary Middle Eastern politics.

*While the concept of Euro*pean integration may have lost some of its appeal among members of the European Community over the past few years, in Israel the vision of a postwar era of free trade, open borders and peaceful coexistence between neighbours has been the ultimate goal for most Israelis. Mr Peres believes that he can make the dream come true.

"We have to learn from the European experience and adapt it to local conditions as much as possible," he said, setting out a sequence of events that will come into play once an initial interim agreement with the Palestinians is signed, *possibly as early as* Monday in Washington.

Beyond the early stages of territorial compromise, he envisages the coming decade as a period when former adversaries will agree to disarm, cooperate on issues ranging from tourism to the environment, and eventually evolve into a region with a free movement of goods and people across secure borders.

"In Europe didn't you shed blood, didn't you kill each other for generations and generations? You cannot negotiate with the shadows of yesterday," he said. "They don't exist. You have to negotiate with new situations, new opportunities. *Settling the* problems of the past is not sufficient, you have to build a new future, that is why I think of a new Orient like Europe. You would never have solved the national problems of Europe unless you created a united Europe."

While his vision of peace and prosperity has enthused some Israelis, even former members of the opposition Likud party, the foreign minister's dovish demeanour and *reputation as a glory-seeker* have left others concerned that the Jewish state may be making the biggest mistake of its short life.

Mr Peres, who was written off last year as an unelectable Labour party leader, and replaced before the polls by his old rival, Yitzhak Rabin, the prime minister, is still mistrusted by some segments of the Israeli public for his slightly superior air, and the calculating, some would say conspiratorial, fashion in which he conducts his domestic political affairs.

To a visiting Western journalist or diplomat, Mr Peres may come across as the most erudite, imaginative, and statesmanlike figure on the Israeli political landscape today, but he still fails to offer the sort of no-nonsense appeal of popular former generals *turned politicians, such as Mr* Rabin, or the hardline Ariel Sharon, a former defence minister. Branded a liar, traitor and terrorist lover by angry demonstrators this week, the life-long Labour party member and socialist nevertheless predicted that he would be able eventually to convince the doubters.

"People are worried basically because they do not like to depart from a known situation. People prefer to remember the past than think about the future. Goethe said once that the smallest departure reminds one of the final departure. So that is why people do not want to depart today."

Nevertheless, even Mr Peres's detractors have to concede that he has had a knack of providing timely contributions to Israel's security and prosperity just when the country needed them most.

Apart from the diplomatic coup that was revealed last week, Mr Peres is widely *credited with masterminding* Israel's acquisition of nuclear technology, which enabled the Jewish state to produce atomic weapons. He also negotiated key arms purchases that were in part responsible for Israel's military victories over the Arabs, including the 1967 six-day war.

On a more mundane, but no less relevant level, it was also Mr Peres, who was then serving as the finance minister, who engineered the rescue of the Israeli economy from hyperinflation in the mid-1980s.

Although he would clearly like to lead his country once again into its peaceful period *ahead, Mr Peres is adamant* that he will not rock the political boat in Israel and ruin the delicate partnership that he now enjoys with Mr Rabin.

"I am no longer a baby, but neither have I become an egocentric old gentleman," he said. "When I see a goal I ask myself how to achieve it and in a democratic country it cannot be achieved by a single person. If we work together we should not fall into the traps of ambitions and competitions. If you can hold it, it is to your credit."

THE WAY AHEAD

THE moment Israel and the Palestine Liberation Organisation finalise their letters of mutual recognition, *a whole series of* spectacular and groundbreaking agreements should fall into place (Richard Beeston writes).

Attention was last night focused on Washington, where erstwhile Palestinian and Israeli enemies are due to gather on "Super Monday" to recognise each other's existence formally and to sign the historic declaration of principles over land for peace. The way would then be clear for an accord between Israel and Jordan and deals between Israel and its northern neighbours Syria and Lebanon.

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Nearly half the Palestinian deportees in southern Lebanon marched back to Israel from their camp yesterday, above. Some, guarded by pro-Israeli South Lebanon Army militiamen, fell to their knees in prayer after crossing the border

Radicals back from exile

FROM BEN LYNFIELD IN JERUSALEM

ISRAEL yesterday allowed 189 Palestinian fundamentalists to end their nine-month enforced exile in southern Lebanon, prompting concern that they will bolster opposition to the peace arrangements agreed by Israel and the Palestine Liberation Organisation.

Busloads of the exiles crossed into Israel after being carefully searched by troops when they arrived at a checkpoint from their tent camp at Marj az-Zahour. They were immediately placed in detention on the Israeli side until the authorities can decide who will be allowed home and who will return to jail. Israeli newspapers quoted military sources as saying that 60 per cent of those returning would remain behind bars. The sources predicted the return would not disrupt the balance of power in the occupied territories, saying the peace process and mutual Israeli-PLO recognition would overshadow the homecoming.

The Palestinians arrived back to a drastically changed Arab-Israeli landscape, with the PLO and Israel agreeing on self-rule arrangements that they view as nothing short of a sell-out of Islamic lands. The Hamas Islamic Resistance Movement and Islamic Jihad (Holy War), the groups for which the deportees are activists, are vowing to sabotage the peace *pact and continue armed resistance against* Israel despite the PLO's conciliatory moves.

Abdel-Aziz Rantisi, a Hamas leader forced with 214 other deportees to remain in exile until December, said he had urged those returning to ensure there was no inter-Palestinian violence. "We are giving these men a message to take back, not to allow Palestinian hands to spill Palestinian blood," he said.

Israeli authorities said yesterday they were concerned that the return of the exiles would invigorate hardline groups. "This return is not convenient," Mordechai Gur, the deputy defence minister, said. "But Israel is a state of law and we honour our commitments and international agreements."

Old enemies tire of the bloodstained road

BY MICHAEL BINYON
DIPLOMATIC EDITOR

IT HAS taken the Palestine Liberation Organisation almost 30 years, thousands of deaths, continuous internecine feuding and countless diplomatic setbacks to reach yesterday's historic breakthrough.

For Yassir Arafat, the agreement ends 29 years of hostility towards the people now living in the territory where he was born. For Yitzhak Rabin it represents an end to the violence that he was not able to suppress either as chief of staff of the Israeli army, or as military commander of the *occupied territories.*

The PLO, originally led by Ahmad Shukairy, was created by the Arab League in 1964 to draw together the resistance groups that occasionally launched raids on Israel. Its national charter, revised in 1968, maintained that "armed struggle is the sole means of liberating Palestine".

Shukairy was replaced in 1969 by Mr Arafat, leader of the Fatah group. The PLO was based mainly in Jordan and was under constant pressure from King Husain, who saw it as a threat to his throne. After "Black September" in 1970 the Palestinians were driven out of Jordan; most moved to Lebanon and set up camps in *the south. In April 1973 three* leaders, including Abu Yussef,

STEPS TO RECOGNITION

the military commander of Fatah, were killed by Israeli army commandos in Beirut.

In 1974 Mr Arafat addressed the UN General Assembly, wearing a gun on the podium, and offering Israel peace or violent struggle. The Palestinian presence in Lebanon was instrumental in starting the civil war a year later.

During the 1982 Israeli bombardment of Beirut, Mr Arafat left the Lebanese capital, together with thousands of PLO fighters, for Tunis. A year *later his personal adviser and* an early advocate of dialogue with Israel, Issam Sartawi, was killed by Abu Nidal, whose hardline Iraqi-supported group also murdered Said Hammami, the PLO representative in London.

In 1983 Mr Arafat met Uri Avnery and Matti Peled, members of the Israeli delegation from the Israeli-Palestinian Peace Committee in Geneva. In 1985 the Israelis raided the PLO headquarters near Tunis, killing and wounding more than 170 people. Mr Arafat's office was destroyed, but he escaped.

Following an incident in which six people were killed by an Israeli vehicle in Gaza in December 1987, *the intifada* uprising broke out in the occupied territories. The Israelis responded to the stone-throwing with curfews and armed force. Five months later Abu Jihad, military head of Fatah, was killed in Tunis by Israeli commandos.

In 1988 Abie Nathan, an Israeli pacifist, met Mr Arafat in Tunis, for which he was condemned to 18 months in prison for breaking the 1986 Israeli law — repealed this year — forbidding any contact with terrorist groups.

In November 1988 the Palestine National Council, the parliament in exile, accepted UN Resolution 242, implicitly recognising the existence of Israel and rejecting all forms of terrorism, including state terrorism. In December Mr Arafat implicitly accepted the existence of Israel in a statement in Geneva, allowing the Americans to resume a political dialogue. The following May he declared the Palestinian National Charter obsolete.

Following the Gulf War, the PLO lost all its funding from Saudi Arabia and the Gulf states. The PLO was specifically excluded from any participation in the 1991 Madrid peace talks. But it maintained close links with the three negotiators chosen from the occupied territories. These links became ever more transparent, until it was disclosed last month that the PLO had itself been negotiating in Oslo in secret with the Israelis since April.

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The last of a series on troubles facing leaders: America

Clinton sets sights on home front

FROM MARTIN FLETCHER IN WASHINGTON

■ The president, having struggled through his first battles with Congress, faces more domestic disputes on health and trade. The rest of the world will have to wait its turn

ACT Two of the Clinton administration begins with the president, refreshed and recharged after his first real holiday in years, focusing his energies on some of the most ambitious domestic legislation since Roosevelt's "New Deal". As for the rest of the world, there might as well be a "Do not disturb" sign on his door.

The second act promises to be every bit as dramatic as the first, which ended with Mr Clinton requiring the tie-breaking vote of Al Gore, his vice-president, in the Senate to avoid a catastrophic defeat on the watered-down presidential budget plan. That victory alone took months of desperate lobbying and devoured much of Mr Clinton's limited political capital.

In this session, he plans to turn the $900 billion (£585 billion) health care industry on its head, establish the world's largest single market of more than 300 million people in North America, and give a bloated federal bureaucracy of more than two million civil servants the biggest shake-up of its life.



Even allies are aghast at how much Mr Clinton is taking on. Tackling health care is one of the great challenges that all recent presidents have ducked and the North American Free Trade Agreement (Nafta) threatens the biggest split in the Democratic Party since Vietnam.

The budget battle taught Mr Clinton the folly of depending on small Democratic majorities in Congress. His strategy is to forge a centrist coalition on whose back he would ride to re-election in 1996.

Bosnia, Somalia and other international problems will be dealt with only when they cannot be avoided. Nato is badly in need of reconstruction. The Uruguay round of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade must be completed by December. The one non-domestic event that would have the president rushing towards the microphones would be a Middle East peace accord.

☐ **Health care:** Mr Clinton will unveil this massive piece of social legislation in an address to Congress on September 22. The twin objectives are universal coverage and ending an explosion in health care costs that has the federal deficit spiralling upwards.

The administration is preparing a huge opening salvo to sell the plan, but an army of interest groups has prepared multi-million dollar campaigns to defeat it. A big bloc of liberal Democrats are holding out for a Canadian-style national health service and Mr Clinton must win over many Republicans.

☐ **Nafta:** The president can count on significant Republican support for Nafta, which he sends to Congress next Tuesday and which must be voted on by late December. After all, the agreement with Mexico and Canada was negotiated by President Bush. The problem is that two-thirds of congressional Democrats oppose it, including two of their three House leaders.

Mr Clinton is hardly Nafta's greatest fan, but unless he can dispel the potent but misleading image of job losses to low-wage Mexico, America will send out a protectionist message and a new wave of anti-US sentiment could sweep Latin America.

☐ **Reinventing Government:** Launched last Tuesday, this initiative aims to streamline and modernise the federal government, save $108 billion over five years and eventually eliminate 252,000 jobs. It capitalises on popular discontent with Washington, but without Mr Clinton's full attention many of its 800 recommendations will be quietly sidelined by congressional committee chairmen whose prerogatives it threatens.

☐ **Bosnia:** If the Geneva peace talks fail, Mr Clinton could yet be ordering air strikes against the Muslims' Serb oppressors. If they succeed, he could be dispatching 20,000 US ground troops to police a shaky partition of Bosnia. At home there is no public clamour for American military intervention, and either course would be a damaging distraction from the domestic agenda.

☐ **Somalia:** The administration would love to withdraw its 5,000 troops, but a US withdrawal would undermine the entire UN operation.

The Somalia dilemma, and the administration's inability to pursue its preferred policies in Bosnia, are fuelling a domestic backlash against Washington's new deference to the UN. In his first address to the UN General Assembly on September 28, Mr Clinton must walk a tightrope as he seeks to bolster the world body without surrendering American independence.



Terry Anderson, the Associated Press correspondent who was kidnapped in Beirut and who has written an account of his ordeal, *Den of Lions*, relaxes with his wife Madeleine and daughter Sulome, eight, outside their home in Bronxville, New York. Mr Anderson, seized on March 16, 1985 by Muslim extremists, was held captive for more than six years, the longest incarceration of any of the Western hostages held in Lebanon. He spent some of his captivity in the company of the British journalist, John McCarthy. *Den of Lions* will be published next month.

NEWS IN BRIEF

Millions go on strike in India

Delhi: Indian trade unions said that more than 20 million workers joined a one-day general strike against the government's radical economic reforms, which they fear will cost jobs.

Several thousand people were detained, police and union officials said. Most were in the southern state of Tamil Nadu. The strike disrupted banking and domestic flights. *(Reuter)*

Chief goes back

Lagos: *Chief Moshood Abiola*, widely thought to have won Nigeria's annulled June presidential election, is returning from abroad, where he has sought support for his claim to be head of state. *(Reuter)*

Mayor returns

Port-au-Prince: Evans Paul, the mayor of Haiti's capital, who had been in hiding since a 1991 military coup, has returned to the city hall. Police earlier cleared the building of protesters. *(AP)*

Rebels attack

Bogotá: Marxist guerrillas, who have pledged a "Black September" campaign against the Colombian government, bombed and set ablaze 11 buses and tried to storm a police post here. *(Reuter)*

Paw law

Sydney: Australian police have begun paw-printing koalas in a bid to stamp out the lucrative black market trade in exporting the animals. The prints will form a record of legally exported koalas. *(Reuter)*

Americans struggle to count cost of illiteracy

BY MARTIN FLETCHER

NEARLY half of America's 191 million adults are barely literate in English, or numerate, and can scarcely function in a complex modern society, according to a new government report that has shaken Washington.

As many as 44 million Americans have difficulty understanding a sentence as simple as this one. They cannot use a road map or calculate simple sums, according to the comprehensive survey of 13,000 adults which was commissioned by the department of education.

The *Adult Literacy in America* report put another 50 million Americans into the second lowest of five literacy levels. These people could not use a calculator for even simple addition, understand a bus timetable, or write a letter explaining an error on a credit card bill.

The results were "shocking" and a "wake-up call to the sheer magnitude of illiteracy in this country", said Richard Riley, the education secretary. They were significantly worse than the last such survey in 1985, and revealed the widening "fault line" between those able to perform in the information age and those left hopelessly behind.

A quarter of those in the lowest level were immigrants, and the report is bound to fuel demands for an overhaul of America's adult language and literacy programmes. However, roughly half those in the bottom two levels had completed high school and at least 15 per cent were college graduates.

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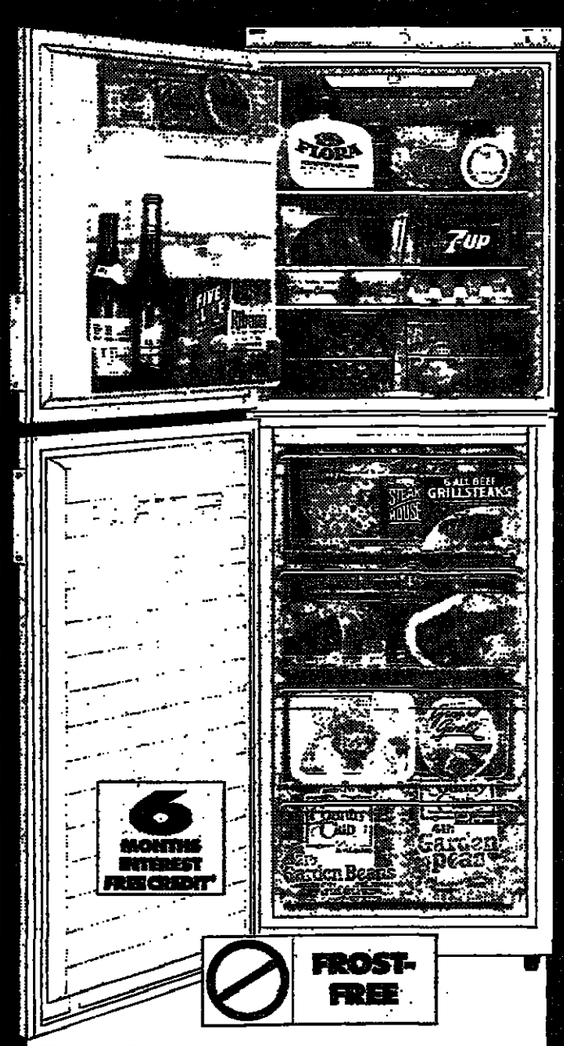
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Vendetta defections force Mitsotakis to call Greek election

FROM JOHN CARR IN ATHENS

■ An aggrieved former foreign minister is determined to bring down the conservative Athens government. His poll campaign will focus on the emotive issue of Macedonia

CONSTANTINE Mitsotakis, the Greek prime minister, called a snap election yesterday after a rival conservative syphoned off his thin parliamentary majority.

Mr Mitsotakis said the elections, expected on October 10, would clear the political air and enable his New Democracy party to "confront important national and economic issues". At stake is his administration's ambitious privatisation and anti-inflation programme, which has earned respect from European Community officials.

During a week of rising tensions in the conservative camp, two deputies quit New Democracy and turned independent, costing the prime minister his two-seat majority in a 300-seat legislature. Mr Mitsotakis got the approval of President Karamanlis for an election just hours after the second defection.

The two MPs are among a handful of deputies owing allegiance to Antonis Samaras, 40, a maverick former member of New Democracy who has vowed to bring down Mr Mitsotakis for no apparent reason other than revenge. Mr Samaras was dismissed as foreign minister 18 months ago for being too independent and bellicose on the Macedonia issue. "The country is turning over a new leaf," Mr Samaras exulted as the elections were announced. But it is unclear how Mr Samaras, whose Political Spring party is only two months old, can influence national policy in any significant way.

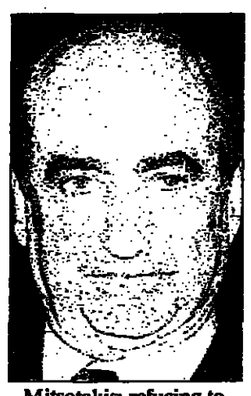
Some members of the government did not hide their dismay at developments. "The elections come at the worst possible time," said Virginia Tsouderou, under-secretary for foreign affairs.

The fear is widespread among conservative voters that a right-wing split could pave the way for a return to power of the Panhellenic Socialist Movement of the mercurial Andreas Papandreou.

Although New Democracy won the last election in June 1990 with 47 per cent of the vote, its popularity has sagged under the weight of austerity measures designed to slash an annual inflation rate of about 15 per cent and huge public deficits. Mr Mitsotakis said that if he were re-elected, he would "not go back on that policy."

Many salaried people and pensioners find themselves economically squeezed and have turned to the socialists. Mr Papandreou, who was prime minister from 1981 to 1989, said he was confident of victory next month.

Mr Samaras has fired the imagination of many Greeks by a hardline nationalist stand on Macedonia, which is expected to be his main campaign issue. His insistence that the former Yugoslav republic of Macedonia should not use that name embarrassed Mr Mitsotakis last year, when the government was trying to use diplomacy to ease tensions with Skopje.



Mitsotakis: refusing to back down on austerity

Most Greeks have strong feelings over the name Macedonia. Only Mr Mitsotakis so far has had the courage not to be carried along by the irrational tides that the issue generates. Mr Samaras has often accused him of "selling out Greece's heritage."

Still unanswered is the question of why Mr Samaras chose now to pull the rug, as elections would ordinarily have been held in eight months' time. But the vendetta has been a salient feature of Greek affairs since the Trojan war. Mr Samaras, the scion of a wealthy Greek family and educated at Harvard University, has said merely that he aims at "political transcendence", without explaining what he means.

According to recent polls, Mr Samaras could hope to get up to 20 per cent of the vote. Such a result would probably not give Mr Papandreou an outright majority. The resulting uncertainty could harm Greece's present effort to modernise its business and finance sectors.

☐ **London:** The former King Constantine has given up hope of returning to Greece as monarch but plans to repeat, as a citizen, last month's controversial visit to his home country whenever he feels like it.

In an interview, he said the Greek authorities may have overreacted last month when he and his family returned to his homeland for the first time in 26 years for a holiday. He said he did not plan to set up house in Greece.

Two Greek navy ships and an air force plane shadowed his yacht and ordered him to stay away from two towns where pro-monarchy sentiment remains high. *(Reuter)*



Imelda Marcos, second from right, with her children, Irene Araneta, left, Imee Manotoc, centre, and Aimee, her adopted daughter, right, weeping during a public eulogy for Ferdinand Marcos, whose body arrived in Batac for burial yesterday. The remains of Mrs Marcos' husband, the former president of the Philippines, were placed beside the coffin of his mother, Josefa, at the Mariano Marcos University in his hometown. She died five years ago but it was decided not to bury her until the body of her son, who died in exile four years ago, could be brought back from Hawaii. A hearse carrying his flag-draped coffin was showered with flowers as it entered the town, where 30,000 people turned out. President Ramos, a distant relation, did not attend. *(Reuter)*

Hong Kong talks head for abyss

FROM JONATHAN MIRSKY, EAST ASIA EDITOR, IN HONG KONG

BOTH sides at the Sino-British negotiations in Peking over the prospects for limited democracy in Hong Kong are playing a dangerous game, issuing warnings that if the other persists in sticking to its guns, putting forward impossible new demands or making bogus concessions, there is little point in carrying on.

The eleventh round of talks ended yesterday with Sir Robin McLaren, the British team leader, saying that great gaps remained between the two sides. Just before this last round began, there was an unusual display of tightly smiling public acrimony between Jiang Enzhu, a Chinese vice-premier and leader of Peking's team, and Sir Robin after Mr Jiang accused the British of endangering the talks. "You wouldn't have expected me to agree to that," Sir Robin responded without waiting for interpretation.

From Qian Qichen, the Chinese foreign minister, who will be meeting Douglas Hurd, the foreign secretary, on October 1, through Mr Jiang, to the leading Chinese representatives here and their press spokesmen, Peking is digging in. It continues to insist that the only way forward is wholly to abandon the proposals of Chris Patten, the governor of Hong Kong, for a wider franchise and "unriggable elections", and to return to the constitutional structure which Peking claims both sides agreed before he arrived last year.

Britain, for its part, is making it known that it is preparing for a collapse of the talks followed by a resolute go-it-alone led by Mr Patten. "We are expecting the talks to end soon," a highly placed source said. "Why should the Chinese go on, anyway? They're going to get full control on July 1, 1997. But this time, if the talks break down, the Chinese won't mess everything up on the airport, tunnels, TV licenses, that sort of thing. They want to reassure people here."

In sum, the message from both sides is that the negotiations are going nowhere, and that it is the other's fault. Since the two sides have never had anything in common, this analysis seems altogether accurate.

Yeltsin seizes enemy's dacha

FROM ANNE MCELVOY IN MOSCOW

PRESIDENT Yeltsin continued his clampdown on the perks of his political enemies by seizing the country residence of Valeri Zorkin, the chairman of the Russian constitutional court, yesterday.

Forces of the chief directorate for security barred Mr Zorkin and his family from entering their dacha and demanded the keys to the property, which belongs to the Kremlin. No formal reason was given for the move, but it was thought to be a response to Mr Zorkin's recent criticisms of the legality of Mr Yeltsin's moves in his battle with parliament and Aleksandr Rutskoi, the vice-president.

The constitutional court is currently considering Mr Yeltsin's move to suspend Mr Rutskoi from office. Yesterday's development confirmed rumours that the court was preparing to move against the president.

Mr Zorkin was close to the Russian leader when he was appointed chairman of the court 18 months ago, but the two have disagreed on the progress of the trial of alleged plotters of the 1991 Soviet coup and how to solve the country's constitutional clash between the executive and legislature.

☐ **Kuchma resigns:** Leonid Kuchma, the Ukrainian prime minister, resigned yesterday, claiming that resistence to reforms had left him unable to carry out his duties. He warned cabinet colleagues that, without swift and radical restructuring, Ukraine risked losing its independence.

"I am convinced that Ukraine needs urgent political reforms, without which no economic reforms can occur," Mr Kuchma said.

He had proposed the introduction of market mechanisms, but has failed to win over parliamentary conservatives. He has threatened to resign several times, apparently in the hope that the step would jolt parliament into action.

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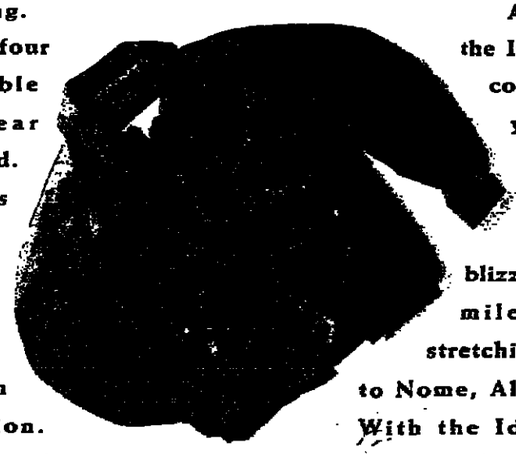
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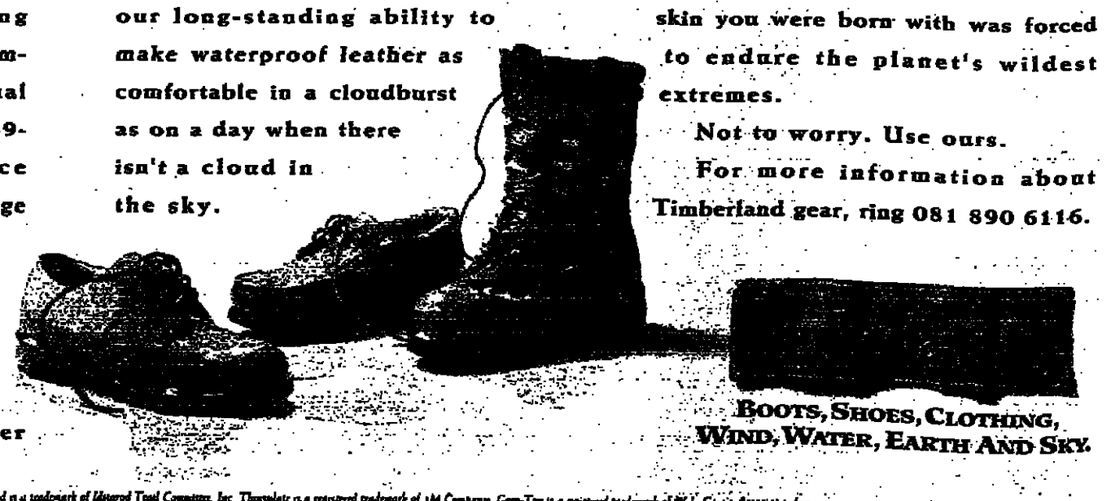
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Hurd attacks gung-ho journalism

BY MICHAEL BINYON
DIPLOMATIC EDITOR

DOUGLAS Hurd, the foreign secretary, yesterday accused the media of distorting foreign policy-making by focusing public attention on conflicts such as Bosnia at the expense of less accessible tragedies just as harrowing, such as Sudan and Liberia.

He said journalists had become interventionists, the founder members of the "something-must-be-done school" pushing for military intervention in Bosnia. But he said the media bore no responsibility for taking and executing decisions: these same journalists would be quick to blame any government which took action that went wrong if that action had no defined aim or military purpose.

"We have not been, and are not, willing to begin some form of military intervention which we judge useless or worse, simply because of day-by-day pressures from the media — pressures which are understandable, perhaps inevitable," Mr Hurd told the Travellers' Club.

He said the British government was not pacifist. "We showed that in the liberation of Kuwait. If we had seen a moment or way during these last two years by which the horrors in the former Yugoslavia could have been quickly and decisively stopped by military action, I believe we would have taken that action."

But commentators were not in a position to dictate policy, nor should they be. It was up to Nato and the United Nations to give the orders, create the risks and bear the consequences. Mr Hurd asked what the media reaction would have been if air strikes had been launched as a result of media pressure which did not save little girls but maimed many other little girls.

He said the searchlight of media coverage was not the even and regular sweep of a lighthouse. It was determined partly by editorial guidance, but also by practical questions such as getting men on the spot, having the money and the technology to beam reports back to London.

It was also selective. And in its selectivity, the media were actors as well as players in foreign policy. Why was so much attention given to Sarajevo and so little to fighting in other cities in Bosnia? There was little on television about Liberia, Angola and Sudan, though the conflicts were no less savage. Such tragedies caused little debate. "The public debate is run not by events but by the coverage of events."

Mr Hurd stopped short of attacking the media head-on. He understood the limitations, he applauded the need for policies to be explained and decisions taken by a wider public than just diplomats. But he was sharply critical of the way newspapers and television now made, as well as reported, foreign news. "The camera is an actor. Cameras provoke their subjects to perform differently."

One year on, page 5



A Serb soldier releases a flaming arrow in an attempt to set fire to fields on the front line near a village in the UN-protected Serb enclave of Krajina. Sporadic fighting between Serb and Croat forces continues in the area

Local deals forged by the UN help to ease civilian suffering

Dr David Clark, the shadow defence secretary, sees a successful side of peacekeeping on his visit to the "safe area" of Gorazde

GETTING into a United Nations "safe area" in Bosnia is a difficult and sometimes dangerous proposition. We sat in the front seat of the white Land-Rover with a pale blue flag aloft and watched the Muslim soldier scrape away earth to uncover a mine which he then calmly laid on the side of the road. The UN commander, a Norwegian flash on his sleeve, was reassuring as he explained that this was a regular occurrence when one passed into the UN "safe area" of Gorazde.

Once the mines had been removed we passed into the enclave proper to be joined by the Muslim commander for a tour of his 290-square mile fiefdom. As we drove towards the town, for a fleeting moment life seemed almost normal. The houses were untouched and sheep and cows grazed in the meadows. People appeared to be going about their business until one realised that their wheelbarrows contained water barrels. The normal water supply no longer existed.

The sight of a burnt-out church on the edge of town brought us back to reality. From a hill overlooking the town we were shown the damage to what had once been the Serb front lines. The physical damage seemed worse than in Sarajevo.

Almost every building showed the scars of shooting and shelling. Yet around us there was some normality as people collected their wood supply for the coming winter.

Both the UN and the Muslims confirmed that there was no lack of food. The aid convoys were getting through without untoward difficulty — a point previously made to us by French escort patrols. However, there was a dire shortage of medicines. This was also a key problem for the Serbs. The hospital appeared to be badly damaged and the UN maintained that certain patients should have been evacuated.

This whole area was being monitored by a UN force of only ten soldiers. They were obviously popular and the children playing in the streets all waved greetings. They saw the UN as their saviour. The Norwegian commander consciously fostered relations with both the trapped Muslims and the encircling Serbs. Clearly, he had been successful. What he had achieved was precisely what we would all have wished from the UN. He was opposed to further reinforcements unless they came from disciplined army units, ideally the British. Troops involved in black marketeering could only excacerbate the delicate situation.



Clark: war crimes must be made accountable

Actions and agreements made locally can help relieve civilian suffering. We had learned at UN headquarters that the position differs between the "safe areas" because of differing approaches on the ground. Local confidence-building measures can have a limited success and will be essential following any peace accord. Simple things such as improved communications can reduce suspicion. For example, the Serb soldiers were reassured that we were able to confirm that 23 of their comrades who were prisoners in Gorazde were being held in conditions laid down by the Red Cross and were being properly fed.

One specific request from the local UN commander was for help in establishing a regular system in which he could meet all the Serb commanders and maintain communications with them. Later I broached this and other ideas with Radovan Karadzic, the Bosnian Serb leader, who promised to see if "hot-line" telephone communications could be established between his forces and the UN at local level.

The longer the ceasefire persists the stronger becomes the notion of peace as the norm. The approach of winter is concentrating minds on both sides and the end of fighting becomes increasingly attractive.

Although difficult, it ought to be possible to evacuate injured and sick civilians and to get in more basic medicines. This however, must be done in an even-handed manner with all sides benefiting.

By adopting an impartial approach to the conflict, the UN is in a much better position to investigate and prosecute war crimes. I believe that this should be one of the priorities, and that all military and political leaders and their followers must be called to account for their actions.

Banja Luka's last mosques destroyed

BY OUR FOREIGN STAFF

SERB radicals are believed to have started fires that destroyed the last two mosques in the Bosnian Serb stronghold of Banja Luka, an international Red Cross official said yesterday.

"I can confirm that not one single mosque is left in Banja Luka," said Michel Nimnig, the head of the International Committee of the Red Cross office in the town, adding: "We saw one burning last night, and the other one which was destroyed we saw this morning on our way to the office."

The destruction of the two buildings means that all of the 16 mosques which served the 50,000-strong Muslim community in Banja Luka before the civil war have been burnt down or blown up, 13 of them since April.

A member of the Muslim community accused local authorities of tolerating "acts of terrorism". He said: "Besides having to accept the painful fact that all these valuable cultural monuments do not exist any more, it is even more painful to see children of Serb nationality rejoicing at the sites on fire."

Also yesterday, a United Nations spokesman said that Muslim troops had taken refuge with British UN forces after losing territory in central Bosnia during heavy fighting with Croat forces.

Bill Aikman, of the UN Protection Force (Unprofor) in Sarajevo, said that the Muslims had retreated to a British army battalion position near Vitez during the clashes on Wednesday.

The Croat defence force (HVO) was reported to have captured a strategic ridge in the region, as well as the villages of Grbavica and Divjak. Fighting has intensified between Muslims and Croats in central and southern Bosnia since the Geneva peace talks broke down last week over Muslim demands for more land.

Croatian radio reported that ten civilians had been killed and 22 wounded in Muslim attacks in central war zones in the past 24 hours. It said there was fighting around Gornji Vakuf, Zavidovici, Novi Travnik and Kresevo, as well as Vitez. Muslims have rejected an



offer of 30 per cent of Bosnia under a peace agreement aimed at ending the 17-month civil war in the former Yugoslav republic. The deal would give Serbs 52 per cent and Croats 18 per cent.

Mr Aikman said Spanish UN forces evacuated 38 Muslim casualties on Wednesday from the southern town of Mostar where some 55,000 Muslims are under siege by Croat forces. The UN reported that 28 aid convoys carrying 1,353 tonnes of food and medicines to stricken communities throughout Bosnia were being harassed and delayed by fighters.

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Bob Hawke, Australia's former prime minister, asks if a president for royalty is a fair swap

Should we sack the Queen?

IT WILL BE a strange irony if a British institution were to encourage the growing tide of support for a republic in Australia. Yet this could happen with the transmission in Australia of *The Republic of Oz*, a programme from the BBC *Assignment* series.

I had some doubts, when accepting the invitation to be interviewer and narrator for the programme, about the capacity of a British institution to understand all the nuances of this antipodean argument. However, the BBC has done that, and more.

For those with a taste for these things, there is a delicious twist to the whole exercise. I deposed Bill Hayden as leader of the Labor party and then, in 1989, I appointed this arch-republican as governor general. In December 1991, Paul Keating deposed me.

In the programme, I interview both of them. Bill's nearly five-year stint as Her Majesty's representative seems to have given him a new perspective on the issues involved in whether Australia should become a republic. He sees with a clarity that escapes Australia's prime minister the nonsense which assumes that a mere change from having a governor general to having a president would, of itself, avoid the problems of 1975, when the then governor general, Sir John Kerr, sacked the prime minister, Gough Whitlam.

Republican activists seem to favour a vote by a joint sitting of the two Houses, but the polls show that an overwhelming majority of Australians believe that if there is to be a president, it should be by popular vote.

The activists rely on the evidence of the polls to support their case and they must go to the people in a referendum to get support for change. When the activists are asked whether the people will be given the opportunity in the referendum to vote for that option, they say "No" because it would not be best for the country to have an elected president.

I happen to agree with that judgment. Yet I wince when I hear the convoluted explanations as to why it is right for the people to tell us what they want, but that they cannot then be trusted to have a vote on how it should happen.

It is clear that whether elected by a joint sitting or by popular vote, any president would have a standing above that of a governor general appointed by the prime minister. Unless a careful job of constitutional neutering was done, a president would have a stronger base to be a wilful beast than any governor general.



Bob Hawke says that replacing the Queen of Australia would not be simple

In reality, Australia has seven monarchies — the nation and the six states. The BBC programme highlights the possible dilemmas if the constitutional requirement for change is satisfied, that is, if a majority of voters and states approve but two states vote against. Does Her Majesty get sacked everywhere else but remain, for instance, as Queen of Western Australia and Tasmania? Strange as it may seem, the question simply has not been addressed.

One of Paul Keating's arguments for becoming a republic is that it would enhance Australia's trading relations with Asia. Malcolm Turnbull — the lawyer who represented Peter Wright in the *Spycatcher* case — was appointed by the prime minister as chairman of the republic advisory committee, and may wonder about his security of tenure when Paul Keating sees his contemptuous dismissal of this argument.

Not so easily dismissed is the change in the ethnic composition of Australia. The fact is that the Queen means very little to those of non-British origin who have made Australia their home. The Aboriginal population sees a change to a republic as an opportunity to advance its aspirations for greater recognition of past injustices.

In the end, the republicans are left with what has always been sufficient — the argument of emotion. Australians will feel a greater sense of independent national identity if they cast off the trappings of another country.

But day-to-day living will not change one scrap if Australia becomes a republic. Keating is sincere in wanting a republic, but the attempts to show he is just seeking a diversion will be more successful as his fortunes and those of the government fall in the wake of the Budget.

The Republic of Oz shows that those advocating change need to lift their game: they are not winning the intellectual and practical, as distinct from the emotional, debate. And it is hard to sustain the level of emotion needed for change in the present and foreseeable economic environment. In the euphoria of last March, it was thought that Paul Keating was comfortably placed to achieve his republican goal by the turn of the century. If he does not turn the economic tide and his political fortunes in this term, that timetable is gone.

Is there any significance in all of this for Britain? As I say in wrapping up the programme, if the British ever get round to debating republicanism seriously, the lesson from Australia is that there is no simple way to swap a Queen for a president.

● *The Republic of Oz will be broadcast on BBC2 at 7.40pm on Monday.*

A challenge for Gazza the brain

THE VALERIE GROVE INTERVIEW

PETER TREVINOR



Bamber Gascoigne: disappointment has never afflicted his habitually benign and equable demeanour, nor his insouciant smile

Bamber Gascoigne does not merit a separate entry in his own *Encyclopedia of Britain*. But his namesake Gazza is there, complete with tears, fouls and a wistful authorial note: "A new-style hero was born, and suddenly everyone in Britain could spell the name Gascoigne."

The tone of irony and self-deprecation is characteristic of Bamber, whose peculiar form of household-name fame predated Gazza's by several decades. "Someone once had a rather good idea that people with the same name should swap jobs for a day," he says. "Gazza would chair a quiz game and I would shoot goals. I was extremely keen, but alas it never came off."

It was in 1962 that he was invited to audition for a new undergraduates' quiz show, an idea pinched by Granada from America. Gascoigne had just the right qualities — studious glasses, patrician voice and air of relaxed amusement — but no presentable suit, until Lord Bernstein, the Granada chairman, sent him to his own Savile Row tailor. *University Challenge* proved both the making and the unmaking of him.



He became instantly recognisable, credited with tremendous omniscience. At the time, the only other television quizmasters were Hughie Green and Michael Miles, neither of whom gave the impression of knowing the answer on the card. Gascoigne looked and sounded like an unusually pleasant Eton scholar, which is what he had lately been.

"I was 27, barely older than the contestants. I simply found television easy, and felt happy doing it. I quite enjoy playing games and showing off," he says. His name, too, was thought memorably silly and suitable for parody in *Private Eye*: he had been named after an 18th century Irish heiress, Miss Bamber, who married an ancestral Gascoigne. In childhood it was a cross to bear. "Luckily at prep school nobody knew one's first name. And then when I went on television it was very useful. It sounded like a stage name."

His 40 days a year quizmastering, he found, allowed him 325 days of freedom to pursue other ambitions. These later included novels, children's books about Freddy the Fearless Frog, serious documentary series, and producing fine books. But what he first longed to be was a playwright.

He had written, while still at Cambridge, a clever revue, *Share My Lettuce*, which became a West End hit with Maggie Smith and Kenneth Williams, and thought his future in the theatre was sealed. But a repeat success eluded him. What is remarkable about Gascoigne is that disappointment has never afflicted his habitually benign and equable demeanour, nor his insouciant smile.

When *University Challenge* gradually moved to a kiss-of-death afternoon slot and disappeared altogether in 1987, it was to the intense relief of Mrs Gascoigne. Being recognised everywhere is, as her husband says, "a hell of a bore for one's companion". "It was *terribly* irritating," she says. "We were shouted at everywhere. Bamber always assumed they were shouting nice things like 'Your starter for ten!' but young people tend to shout obscenities. I hated it."

The Gascoignes are to be found in a house by the Thames in a terrace so secluded it is not on any map. Inside, it is a latterday Charleston, with every surface — walls, stairs, tables — painted by Christina, a vaguely Bloomsbury figure who fends off magazines clamouring to feature it. There is a garden with a lily pond and strange ironwork furniture and rare trees now in blossom. In a conservatory, open to the air, she sets out an eclectic lunch with figs, peaches and Newcastle Brown Ale among the fronds of exotic plumbago.

Here, he told me that he had embarked on this vast, 635,000-word volume of British life because, despite his reputation, he has a hopeless memory. What he has is a scholarly conscientiousness. The result is a huge repository of general knowledge, embracing all that is most familiar in reference books on the best-stocked shelves, uniquely offering juxtapositions such as Graham Greene/*Green grow the rushes O*/Greenham Common — the kind of audio-linking on which Radio 4's *Round Britain Quiz* depends.

It is bound to fuel many more quiz nights, a feature of every pub, club and fund-raising charity. Gascoigne is so often invited to chair these that he has invented a quiz formula in which everyone in the hall has a number, and nobody may answer a question unless their number is called, bingo-fashion.

Why have the British become so quiz-crazed? Professor Roger Scruton declared it a diversionary tactic for fact-obsessed, show-off bores in an otherwise unhappy nation. It may be so; it may also be that we just have a national predilection for resting ourselves, and enjoy it.

It is a challenge to anyone to summarise Britain encyclopedically. T. S. Eliot, in his *Notes Towards the Definition of a Culture*, linked elements such as Derby Day, Henley regatta, the twelfth of August, the cup final, Wensleydale cheese, boiled cabbage, beetroot in vinegar, 19th century Gothic churches and the music of Elgar ... In *Gascoigne*, any page throws up comparable combinations: Lord Snooty and C. P. Snow;

> *University Challenge* may be an impossible mantle to shake off: there is always talk of reviving it

Oxo, Oyez!, *Oz*; DNA, D-notice, Docklands ...

An army of experts sent him their lists so a consensus emerged. But while famous warriors and artists were comparatively easy, ephemeral matters like pop music proved most contentious. "My pop tickers couldn't bear the fact that the criterion was not quality but 500 appearances in the charts. They would write apoplectic notes: Dave Clark? What's Ken Dodd doing here? But my ultimate criterion was, did the name ring a bell? Would people say, 'Who *was* Boy George?'."

Then there was the Aberfan factor. Gascoigne was astonished when a young assistant said, "Nobody's heard of Aberfan", and decided that the book must perpetuate familiarity with the recent past. "That's why murderers are in — the Yorkshire Ripper, the A6 Murder. Disapproval does not in any way eliminate."

He wisely invited living actors and writers to send in forms saying what they thought they were most noted for. This brought many plaintive comments — "I expect I'm most famous for *X*, though I would rather not be". Gascoigne knows how it feels to be in a reference book in someone else's terms. In *Debrett's People of Today*, his entry is mostly taken up with tracing his descent from the 14th century Yorkshire Gascoignes and the Irish royal house of Tara, "one of the oldest traceable lineages in Europe". He has insisted they excise all this stuff from the next edition.

Journalists and editors, with exceptions such as Bernard Levin and the late Kenneth Tynan, are absent from the encyclopedia. But why, I ask, include every cabinet minister, whose fleeting favour hardly meets Dr Johnson's criterion of longevity of real esteem?

"That derives from *University Challenge* — we were always asking who was the Secretary of State for the Environment. But they will drop in and out as we replate."

As with all such compilations, half the pleasure consists in spotting omissions, and he welcomes suggestions for future editions. I went armed with the name of the scientist Eddington, mentioned on Radio 4's *Start the Week* this week. I had never heard of him and he was not in *Gascoigne*. So I asked William Waldegrave, the minister responsible for science: he was duly amazed that Arthur Eddington, the British astrophysicist who defined stellar structure, was not in the book alongside Paul Eddington, actor. This caused consternation chez Gascoigne. Lists were fetched. Oh dear, yes: Eddington had three ticks (i.e. three scientific experts had recommended his inclusion.) We may expect to see Eddington in the next edition.

Clearly *Gascoigne* could become an annual standard, like *Guinness*. General knowledge for the masses is a more dependable product than his St Helena Press venture proved: it published fine and costly books but sank under recession. "What I fail to understand", he muses, "is that at the end of a period when we're supposed to have done well, and had North Sea oil, and privatisation, everyone is absolutely bust and there is no money for anything."

At least there is scope for superb artwork in his encyclopedia, the design of which is a testament to Gascoigne's artistic side.

But *University Challenge* may be an impossible mantle to shake off: television companies often talk of reviving it. Last Christmas it came back, with Gascoigne absurdly youthful in the chair at 58, for a one-off challenge of youth vs crabbed age. Keble College, Oxford, faced veteran former contestants from Cambridge including Stephen Fry, John Simpson, the BBC correspondent, and Charles Moore, editor of the *Sunday Telegraph*.

The current generation made a sorry showing, while the oldsters were dazzlingly quick. So glaring was the knowledge gap that at half-time, Gascoigne asked the Keble captain, "What *do* they know about?", and was told "rowing". So he inserted a question for oarsmen.

The Keble boys, however, smartly nobbled this one: "If A stands for Artichoke, B for Because, C for Curriculum, and D for Do, what might E be for?" Elephant, said Keble — but the correct answer could have been anything beginning with E. It is Gascoigne's favourite trick question.

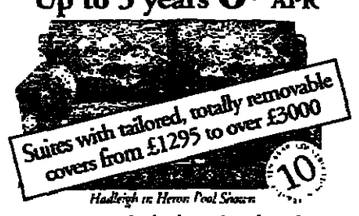
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Michael and Sandra Sullivan: urging a judicial enquiry

Libby Purves talks to a still-grieving family about a salutary case of professional bungling and misguided political correctness

One morning last autumn, Catherine Sullivan got home from her night shift at the Mind hostel in Kingston, a halfway house for former mental patients. The 23-year-old was, her mother Sandra remembers, exalted.

"She said 'Oh, Mum — I've made a breakthrough'." The night before, a withdrawn 51-year-old resident had suddenly brought out a guitar. "None of the other staff even knew he had one. All night he played and she sang, and one by one the other residents came in and told about their lives. Katie used to hear terrible things: one woman had been sexually attacked by her husband and while she was in a coma her children were taken away and the baby abused."

Mrs Sullivan's eyes, like her daughter's in the family photographs, fill with tears. "They were gentle, broken people at the hostel. And Katie really did love them. She was very moved that morning."

One of the residents, however, did not sing or talk. Erhi Inweh was nursing a mad, secret conviction that Katie was the Antichrist. She was not a "gentle, broken" soul who responded to the acceptance and love of volunteers and low-paid Mind staff like Katie Sullivan. Inweh was a paranoid schizophrenic, previously detained under the Mental Health Act. She had attacked a fellow-patient with scissors two years earlier; only that summer she was "sectioned" again under the act after running amok in Hyde Park. It took five police to restrain her.

But in September she was released back to the hostel at Palmer Crescent, and on October 30 she killed Katie Sullivan with a kitchen knife, stabbing her 14 times. She was found not guilty of murder due to insanity, and is now in Broadmoor.

It transpired later that none of the hostel staff knew about her violent background. "To protect her civil rights," says Sandra Sullivan bitterly. "What about Katie's rights?" Officially, the hostel does not accept violent patients, but a social worker had answered its question about "life-threatening" behaviour with a negative, later claiming that she thought the form meant suicidal — not homicidal — incidents.

Moreover, Inweh was on anti-psychotic drugs, but it was revealed that her consultant had halved her oral medication without the community psychiatric nurse (CPN) being informed. Unaware of any destabilisation, the CPN had raised no objection to Imweh delaying her monthly injection for a week. Two days into that week, Katie Sullivan died.

Her mother says despairingly, "The crux of the matter is that she shouldn't have been there at all. It was all wishful thinking and stupid optimism and carelessness. It's like Marjorie Wallace of Sane, the mental health charity, said: one system of looking after these people got scrapped before another one was in place. But nobody will take blame or resign or apologise, and" — Mrs Sullivan looks sideways for her dead daughter, to whom she disconcertingly talks on occasion — "Katie, you don't deserve this disrespect."

This sense of official disregard for what happened still stands between the Sullivan family and a proper grieving. They have refused to sell their story to magazines, dreading it being made into entertainment; now they are desperate for the world to listen.

Sitting at the family table amid a drift of reports and letters on the case, I listened to Michael and Sandra Sullivan, her sister Yvonne and one of their three sons, Mark. Grief-driven though their protest is, it makes salutary listening. The way that the Sullivans have been fended off by officialdom raises deeply uncomfortable questions: not only the practical ones, asked so often since the Ben Silcock case, about the chaos surrounding care in the community; but equally unpleasant doubts about the "politically correct" attitudes which threaten to obscure real risk and real injustice. The fight for an outside enquiry seems to them essential, but the fight hurts them.

Mark says: "It makes us think about Inweh instead of Katie. Last night *Pretty Woman* was on, and I said how Katie loved it, but in half a minute we were all talking about Inweh and the campaign. I wish we could stop it. We would have, if only someone had come to us in those first days and said that mistakes were made and they were sorry, and asked if we needed help and admitted that the world couldn't afford to lose a Katie. She was so loving. But they just spout regulations and defend themselves. The so-called caring professions ... we've had more compassion off journalists."

"And our MP Norman Lamont," adds Mr Sullivan unexpectedly. "He really got involved. It was him who made them give us back Katie to bury, after six weeks, just before Christmas. Nobody else cared."

Every piece of officialese has hurt. The policeman who referred to their daughter the next morning as "the body"; the solicitor who rebuked the distraught mother as a "racist" when she spoke of Inweh being Nigerian. A Mind representative ticked off Mrs Sullivan for "labelling" Inweh. "She said the girl shouldn't be labelled, she was only 22 with her life in front of her. Katie was only 23!".

Nor was there any relief in the independent report by Dr Gordon Langley, a psychiatrist, and former social services director Rick Willis. "Their professions", say the family, "make them part of the system. Why couldn't it be a retired judge, a policeman, someone to look at their mistakes with ordinary common sense?"

Dr John Burton — the west London coroner who presided over the original inquest — is strongly backing this call for an enquiry by a judge into this and other cases, and has written to Virginia Bottomley, the health secretary, several times on the subject.

The Langley-Willis report does seem to speak in the language of social work: it talks of "communication difficulties" and inadequate paperwork, of "surprise" that various professionals on the case did not meet or communicate, and that Inweh's second frenzy did not provoke a review. It talks of the social worker being "a little naive"; but overall, it points no finger and sees no reason why Inweh should not have lived in the hostel. She had to "be given every chance of social reintegration". It spoke — to Sandra Sullivan's fury — of "calculated risk". "Katie was not calculating a risk!" she cries. "She was careful! She had no idea that this girl had tried to stab someone before! And there wasn't even an alarm buzzer!"

Furthermore, the report made comparisons which the family find deeply insulting between the two girls: Katie, the psychology graduate preparing for an Oxford PhD; Inweh unemployed, a polytechnic drop-out with extreme mental problems. The report described them as friends, "of approximately the same age and intelligence", both from "loving families". The Sullivans can hardly bear this glibness. "It's all wishful thinking, pretending sick people are quite normal." "Katie loved them, and we should too," says Mark desperately. "But I love tigers and I wouldn't be alone in a cage with one." Almost worst of all was the meeting, three months ago, with Kingston social services. "They brought a lawyer and talked about insurers. They didn't answer questions, they slapped us in the face."

Their vehemence — this family is still almost too hurt to think clearly — seemed extreme: but reading the minutes of that meeting does strike a chill. Repeatedly the Sullivans try to find out simple things, such as the social worker's responsibilities; they talk of a catalogue of mistakes. Councillors admit no fault.

The Sullivans can look neither to the future nor the past with any peace. They want a judicial enquiry and immediate strengthening of powers to make mental patients take their anti-psychotic drugs (again, the coroner Dr Burton backs this call). They want workers like Katie given a right to the knowledge that would protect them. They want, above all, health professionals to be accountable without forcing victims to the courts. "We don't want to sue, we don't want any money, but if it's the only language they understand . . ." says Mr Sullivan, bleakly.

They do not want to be so bitter. Katie was a loving spirit: at seven years old she adopted unpopular classmates, once writing in her diary "Mummy let me give X an Easter egg because nobody cared about her". By 14 she was working as a volunteer with terminally ill children. At Swansea University she helped the Samaritans, and her student flatmate Louise remembers looking back as Katie lagged behind a group on the way to the pub, to see her empty her purse into a tramp's hands. She never mentioned it, pretending not to want a drink anyway.

The family remember all this, and sometimes Katie's gentle spirit breaks through their outrage. Mrs Sullivan said once, with difficulty: "That girl — her treatment was wrong — she didn't deserve to become a killer, did she?" And Mark adds quietly: "We have to respect mentally ill people because Katie respected them. But if only someone would respect us . . .".



ALAN WELLER

Catherine Sullivan: at no stage was she informed that her killer had any previous record of violent behaviour

And now, son of BS5750

New opportunities for the British bone-headed bureaucrat

There has been a change of mood in the environmental lobby. After years of passionate intensity, of accusations and banner-waving, the environmentalists have grown pensive and in many cases downright depressed. Winning the hearts, and minds of shoppers and children was the easy bit of Operation Planetary Clean-Up and putting big business in the stocks was the fun bit. Now comes the hard part. How do you actually do it?

The American way of doing it, namely leaving the law to take care of everything, has obvious drawbacks. Companies call in lawyers to ensure they are doing the minimum necessary to comply, and the lawyers get busy again whenever there is trouble. By common consent, the US Super Fund set up to deal with large-scale environmental damage has put a great deal more money into lawyers' pockets than into environmental protection.

The German way, of high standards, high costs and smothering regulation is now looking increasingly untenable. Environmentalists who used to sing Germany's praises are embarrassed by the current débâcle of its new laws on recycling all packaging. Individual companies and some German regions are in revolt, the entire European packaging industry has been thrown into confusion and the government has just had to bail out its regulatory body at immense cost. It now costs more than it is worth to dispose of waste.

And the British way? Today is the closing date for responses to the government's consultation document on the implementation of the EC Eco-Management and Audit Regulation and the accreditation arrangements for BS7750, so we shall soon see. I have to say it doesn't look promising. For one thing, all documentation I have seen is written in that Anglisized bureaucratic Latin, all grandiose abstraction, that is a sure sign of somebody who doesn't know what he's talking about. For another, BS7750 is the son of BS5750, the British standard on quality management systems about which I wrote disparagingly in July. So many letters came in from every manner of business agreeing that BS5750 had been thoroughly discredited that it is difficult to have any faith in its offspring.



MARGOT NORMAN

Both the EC eco-audit scheme and BS7750 are voluntary schemes to improve companies' environmental management, but they reflect different world views that are quite instructive. The European one calls for an environmental review of the organisation, followed by an improvement programme and backed up by a published statement, which has to be verified by an expert, detailing both the environmental impact of the company's work and the programme to mitigate it. Sensibly, it will initially be applied only to industrial sites.

The British scheme, by contrast, is airily intended to apply to any and all businesses and to local authorities. That was where the rot set in with BS5750, because local authorities will gladly seize upon any old piece of paper that helps them whittle down lists of firms applying for tenders, and they will use this new environmental standard in just the same way. It is the local government mind-set and there's no changing it. Even if the piece of paper is worthless there is comfort to be had from telling electors that everyone who works for the council has got it.

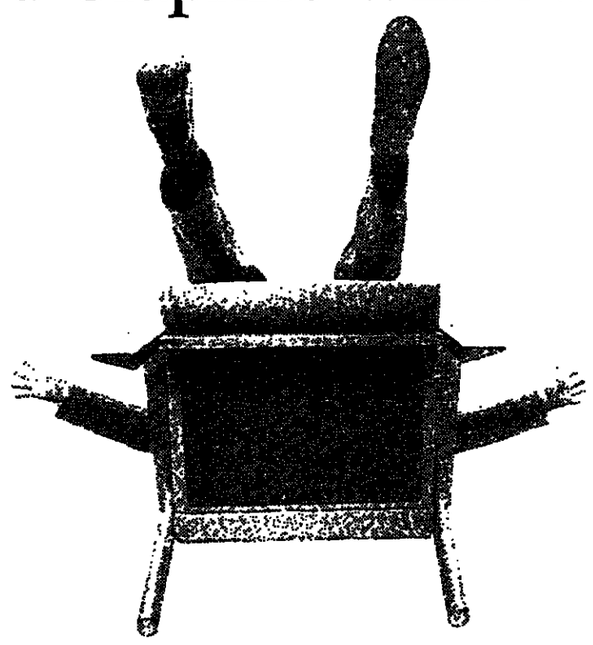
When it first came up with the idea for BS7750, the British Standards Institute was cock-a-hoop about being the first in the field internationally. It proved not too difficult to come up with a brief comic, generic outline for an environmental management system that any company could install, but it is now clear that it will be extremely hard to make this thing credible.

Where management consultants abound, environmental consultants are a new breed — and there aren't many of them. So far as I know, the only professional body registering environmental auditors as competent is in Britain: it is only a few months old and so far it has turned down a fair proportion of the 500 or so applicants. Please note that environmental health officers, who take such bone-headed pride in interpreting EC regulations in the most restrictive way that the mind of a petty bureaucrat can devise, are not generally considered up to it.

There simply won't be enough competent people to serve us as EC "verifiers" or BS "certifiers" if every little Tom, Dick, Harry and Co. gets swept up in this, as happened with BS5750. Anyway, the best of them are too busy doing environmental compliance audits to help people keep ahead of the legislation.

Acer, the largest British environmental consultancy, says it is taking a "reasonably cynical" view of BS7750. Well it might. Already, one consultancy firm which should know better has been certifying clients even though neither the accreditation system nor the standard itself yet exist. As I said, there is something of a credibility problem with all this.

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■ *Those who invoke the* public in their battles often have a private motive

Leader-writers, priests and politicians pretend to speak for the public. Advertisers and public relations people try to manipulate the public. Public opinion pollsters, with their samples of 1,693 individuals carefully weighted according to age, sex, socio-economic grouping, income and colour of hair, try to tell us what the public wants or believes — with gratifyingly absurd results. It is a general popular error, as Edmund Burke observed, to imagine that the noisiest experts on the public know best, or that the loudest complainers for the public are the most anxious for its welfare. The public is a slippery, possibly meaningless abstraction.

In 1882, a reporter asked William Henry Vanderbilt why his New York Central Railroad continued to run a high-speed train from New York City to Chicago despite losing money. Commander Vanderbilt told him he did it to compete with a similar Pennsylvania Railroad. "Wouldn't you run it just for the benefit of the public, competition aside?" the reporter asked. Vanderbilt roared the classic big business reply: "The public be damned. Railroads are not run on sentiment but on business principles."

We are the public of England, that never have spoken yet. But one of the things we might say, if given the chance, is that *public* is a slippery value word. The most obvious English example is the English public school, which is an independent fee-paying secondary school, and so confuses Americans and Scots, whose public schools really are open to the public.

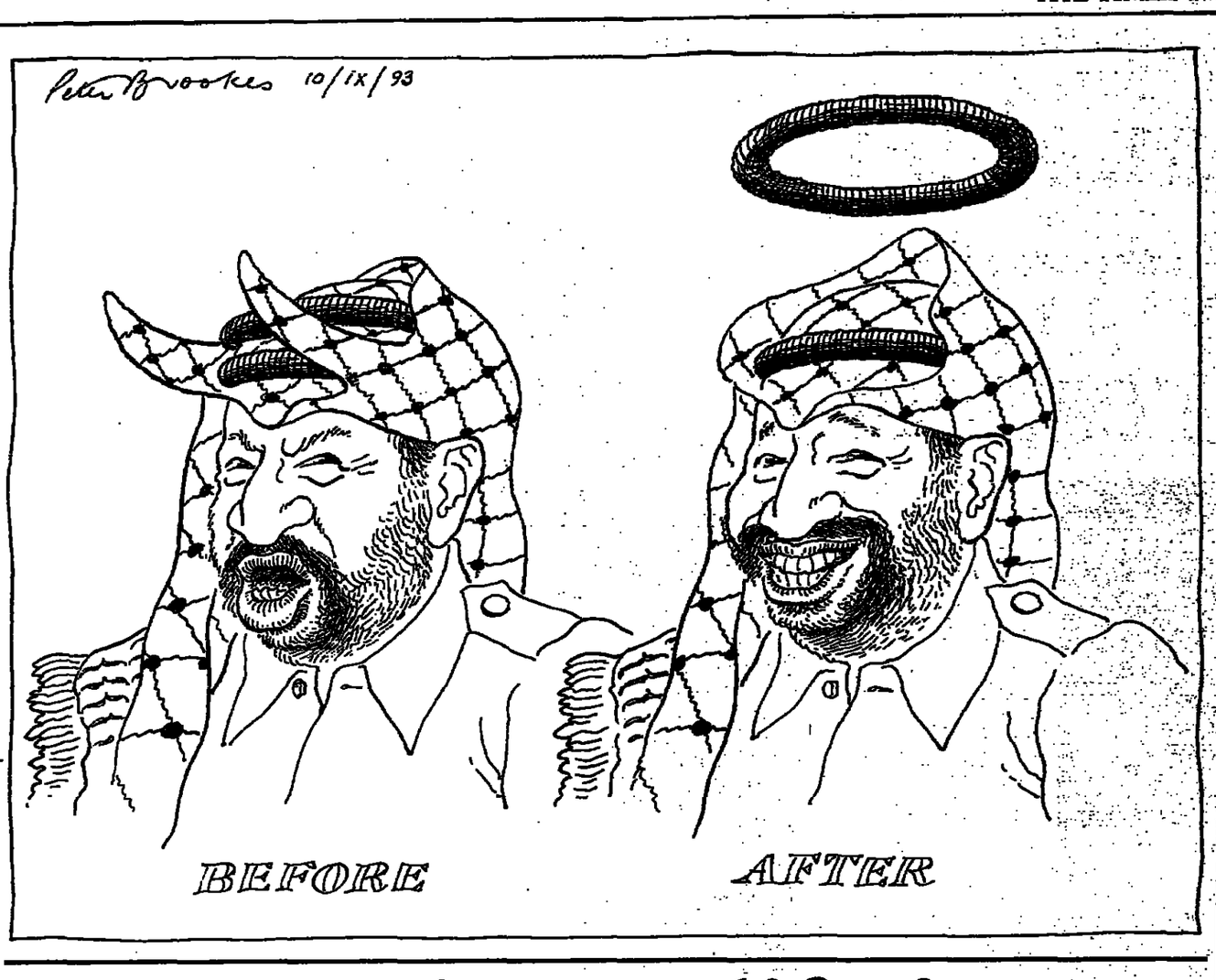
Public schools acquired their misleading epithet not because they are famous old foundations, as in "public figures". Nor are they called public because they are kept in business by the tax-paying public, or because the people in them, staff and pupils, have a common interest, as with the "racing public". Nor are they maintained at the expense of the public. They were called public because they were founded for the population generally, and carried on under some kind of public management and control, contrasted with private schools, which were for a particular locality, and carried on at the risk and for the profit of their masters or proprietors. The public in public schools is historic, a bit like a private commercial company that has gone public, and offered its shares to anyone who can afford them.

A public house is not necessarily open to the public if it comes in a coach or wears boots or overalls. In France a *maison publique* is a brothel, but in late Latin a *publicus locus*, a public place, was a latrine. As an odd classical survival, the latrines at my prep (i.e. pre-public, i.e. private) school, were called "the places", and the most important register kept by the Headmaster was his daily record of whether we had been "successful" or "unsuccessful" there. Two unsuccessfuls, and it was off to matron for a monstrous dose of castor oil. After that, we did elegiacs and nets.

The roots of *public* are straighter than its ramifications. It comes from the Latin word for popular and people, with cross influence from *pubes*, as in pubic hair, or *adult*. When used as an adjective, the context can make clear the slant of *public*. Public schools and public houses are not public at all in the extreme acceptance of the word. A public convenience is normally publicly owned and available for the use of the public. A publican in his historic sense was a farmer-general of the public revenues, or tax-collector.

But when the Ministry of Defence puts up outside one of its extravagantly numerous properties in the prettier parts of the country, "No public right of way", it is making a peculiar claim. The MoD is a public department, and everything about it should be strictly public, including the rights of way.

But the most notorious misuse of the word public, beloved by politicians and journalists, is in public opinion. There is no such thing. Human beings are so perverse, individual and batty that there is no opinion, not even that night must follow day, which is held by everybody. When we say, "public opinion will force the government to do something", or that the "general public" will not tolerate something, all we are saying is that certain views are widely held. Or, at any rate, held by the speaker or writer, who wants to summon up on his side the phantom and fraudulent army of the public. Read that p-word with narrowed eyes.



Peace in my lifetime

They all laughed when I predicted the fall of communism; well, now I foresee an end to hatred in South Africa and the Middle East

Bernard Levin

Softlee, softlee, catchee monkee; unless, of course, the Animal Liberation Front objects, or I am accused of species-ism. In either case I find myself in the extraordinary position of agreeing with Mao Tse-tung. It was he who, to encourage his people (I cannot remember whether before he had them massacred in enormous numbers or after) gave them the metaphor of the mountains. The idea was to level the plain over which the mountains towered, and at first glance it was clear that no such enterprise could be attempted, let alone successful. But Mao pointed out that he was speaking not only for the current generation; the generations that were to come would in the end achieve the impossible, and bring the mountains low. Yet it was one phrase of Mao's that stuck in my mind, and still does; to encourage the workers he said, "The mountains are high, but they cannot grow higher".

Is it too fanciful to believe, or even to begin to believe, that not only will South Africa become a truly civilised nation, in which colour will cease entirely to be an index of a citizen's quality, but that at the same time the nature of the Middle East could be utterly transformed, from a series of armed camps and undying hates into a region of co-operation for mutual advancement among the erstwhile camps and hates?

I can say those things more easily than most people: my dramatic claim, made and published in 1977, that the Soviet Union would be free by July 1989, has given me the foolhardiness to be what others would rightly call rash. Perhaps; but even in the horrors of South Africa, where atrocities (most of them meaningless, even to the perpetrators) are a daily occurrence, there are, almost in step with the stabbings and burnings and vengeance, signs — less lurid, but more valuable — that tell us that the scales are tilting further and further towards civilisation and peace.

Take South Africa's one-minute silence (long since abandoned in Britain and now confined to the Cenotaph ceremony itself, where Garel-Jones can't be bothered to put on some decent clothes), which heralded national peace day. It is, of course, tragic that such a gesture has to be made, but at least it meant that there would be a pause for thought rather than a pause for more slaughter.

And, indeed, so it proved, for a brief moment. Whether the frail web woven on National Peace Day will exist before next year's ceremony, no one can guess; almost at the same time as the peace songs were calling their message of hope, those whose task is to count the deaths from political motives were clocking up the 10,000th. Yet not even the latest mass slaughter should bring despair, for "A journey of a thousand miles must start with a single step". It is very good news that the extremist Conservative Party has denounced the National Peace Day as "a communist plot"; if that is to be the level of their argument, they may bring violence, even dreadful violence, in their wake, but with a little vigilance they can be ignored.

Let me prophesy once again. South Africa will not collapse into tripartite barbarism. There will be more deaths and injuries: hopes and fears will swing up and down like a mad pendulum; de Klerk will need every ounce of guile he has; but that beautiful, tormented land will come through. And then, just think what such a country could do when united in one purpose; why, it could give lessons to the world.

Which, of course, is true some hundreds of times over in the Middle East. As the years went by, even my optimism shrank; I knew that one day peace and harmony would reign in that tormented region — a torment, moreover, that had extraordinary affinities with the South Africans. I had reason to believe that even that knot would be loosened, the reason being the manifest lunacy of keeping it as twisted as when it was first tied. My pessimism came from the unwavering insistence on the lunacy, the whole lunacy, and nothing but the lunacy, by those who were in position to end it.

I was certain that the Soviet Union would die before I did, and I was right. I was also sure that South Africa would cleanse itself in my time. But as for the Middle East, though it would eventually have an attack of sanity, I feared I would be unlikely to see it writhe as the straitjacket was removed.

Yet here I am, with nothing but a few more streaks of grey in my hair and a slight propensity to be irritable in the early morning, and the cracks in the circle of hate are so audible today that they can easily be thought earthquakes.

Well, metaphorically, they are. When we see headlines reading "Israel to arm the PLO", we wonder what there was in that rather dodgy wine to bring such hallucinations, and when further headlines read "Syria next", we begin to send off for brochures of convalescent homes. And yet, though the sands of the desert are notorious for mirages, these are no tricks of the light.

Of course, as I said, it had to happen, if only because the appalling backwardness of so much of the Middle East could not go on for ever. (There is a vivid memory here; Israeli governments, in Israel's early years, gave great help to many African states, themselves only recently out of colonial status. Alas, such desperately wanted advice, help and materials were in the end widely rejected as Israel's enemies prised them away from the fountainhead of what they most needed.)

The drama of the breaking dam was wonderfully chosen and the secret was wonderfully kept; perhaps the conspirators thought that Norway was the last place on earth anyone would think of for such surreptitious talks, and if so, perhaps they were right. But the venue was nothing compared to the momentous exchanges that took place. It really doesn't matter *why* these Arabs decided to sit down with their enemies and make peace; it has been said that the PLO was in financial and other troubles, and so it might be. What matters is that it was possible to think that opponents so intransigent and so immovable would, at the stroke of a pen, change the world.

Nor is that hyperbole. These amazing negotiations may peter out; the negotiators are, after all, talking about the first steps that must be taken, and there are hundreds of steps to take before they can breathe easily. But even if the Arafat-Peres agreement does not yield further fruit, I can now be certain that I shall live to see Arab and Jew share the Middle East and make it — what it could have been long ago — an orchard rather than a blockhouse, a field of wheat instead of a field of mines, with songs of harmony in place of the songs of hate. But it is tragic to see riots by Jews denouncing their government and the future alike; surely that will die down when they see the door swing open.

Once that door has opened, it will not be shut. It will bang in the wind, no doubt, and people will scribble graffiti on it; but it will stay on its hinges, even if, unoiled, they creak. It never was to the advantage of anyone in the Middle East to try to destroy Israel, at any time after she had established herself fully. Crimes, some very terrible, have been committed over the years on both sides; the effects of these will not quickly be wiped out. But that was precisely the problem that South Africans faced and still face; and by a great leap of the imagination they are coping with it: a massive amnesty — informal but powerful — has done much to calm those in South Africa who clamour for vengeance. Why not, then, a double amnesty for Israel and her foes? Yes, many guilty men on both sides will then go free, but if we all wait until we go to heaven, where presumably the good and the bad are sorted out down to the tiniest clue, we are in great danger of waiting for ever.

Take heart from that almost unbelievable headline: "Israel to arm the PLO". If that can happen, anything can happen, not least — oh, I am certain now that I shall to see it come to pass — the sight of Arabs and Jews crossing their countries' borders with never a sight of a passport, though many of the travellers, in either direction, were recently planning to cross that border intent on murder or revenge.

Softlee, softlee . . . there are already voices raised in anger, real or summoned, against this tremendous meeting, and those voices may go further than anger. Well, 10,000 people have died in South Africa for the very same arguments, and South Africa is going to survive and thrive. So are the peoples of the lands of the Arabs and the peoples of the lands of the Jews, whose descendants will one day wonder why it took so long.

Patients before colleagues

Thomas Stuttaford on doctors' urge to protect each other

It would not be surprising if the residents of Birmingham were beginning to lose faith in their doctors. The cases of Dr Starkie, the pathologist whose procedures in the diagnosis of bone cancer is now being questioned, and Dr Ashok Kumar, whose nurse, having been taught by him, used the wrong spatula, which must have been provided by the practice, to obtain cells for cervical smears, are very different. In both instances, though, colleagues should have noticed that something was wrong. In Dr Starkie's case they did notice, but were too kind to take decisive action.

It would have been expected that Dr Kumar knew that the cells for a smear need to be collected from the inside as well as the outside of the cervix. Using a blunt-tongued depressor rather than the correctly designed spatula makes this impossible. The question why no Birmingham microbiologist noticed that Dr Kumar's slides contained few or no endocervical cells, from inside the cervical canal, has not been answered.

Doctors have, over 2,000 years, been brought up to look after each other's interests. Hippocrates taught that they should behave to colleagues as if they were members of their own family. The comradeship which used to be engendered by the traditional medical school, and later the hospital dining mess, maintained the Hippocratic ethos, which was enhanced by the Victorians and Edwardians, who stressed the importance of group loyalty whether to school, regiment or profession.

If possible, colleagues had to be protected without endangering a patient, but it would be unrealistic to believe that this spirit did not cause some disasters. I can think of at least two well-known, even distinguished surgeons whose premature senility was tolerated even though it meant to all intents and purposes that their senior registrars did the operations "assisted" by their chiefs.

Times have changed: such tolerance would not be extended today for, contrary to the way doctors are shown on television and the stage, they have not for 25 years epitomised the old-style upper middle classes, with admirable qualities but slavish loyalties. Doctors are, however, still too much motivated by the more prosaic emotion of "there but for the grace of God go I". This is changing, and the British Medical Association and General Medical Council now insist the patient's welfare is paramount, and that this should not be put at risk by any doctor, whether through ill health or incompetence.

The GMC has stressed that health authorities should publicise the procedure whereby doctors can convey their doubts about another's health or competence. In the event of a question about a doctor's health and fitness to practice, the doubt can be made known directly to the GMC, which can instigate the necessary firm but kind action. The preliminary enquiry in Dr Starkie's case has attributed some of the procedural, and therefore later clinical, mistakes to her personality. It is probable that if there was reticence on the part of her colleagues, it was because they knew that the changes might stem from her multiple sclerosis, which attacks the brain as well as the peripheral nervous system. Who would want to tell a member of his own Hippocratic family that he or she was no longer fit to work because an unpleasant disease had made any decisions unsafe?

It is unlikely that the same considerations applied to Dr Kumar's case. Certainly the nurse cannot be blamed for not knowing that the procedure she was taught was wrong, but although the microbiologist was not in personal contact with Dr Kumar, shared work provides a link, and doubts about the quality of another's efforts should be reported. The GMC is breaking down this reluctance, but it would be helped in the endeavour if it were able to enforce its recommendations, at present only guidelines, as statutory.

Whose party now?

A CLASH of titanic proportions awaits the Tory faithful in Blackpool next month when Lord Tebbit takes the same platform as Kenneth Clarke at a fringe meeting to discuss the future of Conservatism.

The debate, just a day after Norman Lamont addresses the Bow Group, promises to be quite as much fun as last year's brutal encounter between the two at Lord Archer's conference champagne party. Then, much as now, the subject of contention was Maastricht. Clarke infuriated Tebbit by saying his conference speech was "a declaration of war". Battle ensued, mesmerising Archer's guests for 15 minutes until Richard Ryder, the chief whip, stepped in to separate them.

Ringside seats for this year's bout are at a premium, but Tebbit's secretary Beryl Goldsmith is pouring oil on the waters. "That [Archer's party] was a social occasion and this is a serious political meeting; I think it will be a very responsible discussion. I discussed it with the Chancellor earlier this week. He welcomes it and is very happy because he thinks it will help the party."

MPs in Tebbit's camp on Maastricht are all for the debate. "Norman Tebbit has always encouraged a wide spectrum of opinion within the party," says Sir Richard Body, an arch Euro-sceptic. "I can think of large numbers of people who have drifted away from the party, just as they drifted away under Heath when dissenting opinions were throttled." Let's hope it doesn't come to that.

Rush to the cause

OVER at the Labour party conference, later this month, Age Concern is holding its meeting to mark the European Year of Older People. Who better to chair the gathering than Labour MP George Foulkes? Two months ago, it was he who allegedly bowled over an old lady and bumped into a policeman in his rush to the Commons for a late-night vote after an evening with the Scotch Whisky Association.

Age Concern sticks by its choice of chairman, whose case on charges of drunken and disorderly behaviour and assaulting a policeman was adjourned yesterday. "He is co-chairman of the all-party pensioners group in the Commons," says Jane Clarkson, its parliamentary officer. "He is a great stalwart and does a lot for pensioners in Westminster."

Candid canvas

MUCH HAS been made of Francis Bacon's last encounter with his biographer Andrew Sinclair, when the duo consumed four bottles of champagne in London's Groucho Club before the painter paid and left, seemingly unaffected. Sinclair was not, however, the only one succumb to Bacon's formidable enthusiasm for alcohol.

At the Redfern Gallery's launch party this week for *Francis Bacon: His Life & Violent Times*, Sir Stephen Spender, the poet, said that he too regularly drank with Bacon, a lifelong friend. "We would meet and have dinner and get horribly drunk. It was a kind of sacred thing getting drunk with Francis.

"I do not drink very much but I knew that if I went out with him we would be up ranting until three in the morning," says Spender. "He would be very good until about three, and then he would proceed to tell you what he really thought about you."

It's remarkably like you . . after a few drinks



THE TIMES DIARY

● *Glee among Whitehall's bratpack yesterday, as John Redwood received a cabinet carpeting for his high-profile campaign against tax increases. When Redwood became Welsh secretary, he turned down the offer of a political adviser, believing them to be an unnecessary hindrance to progress.*

Seasonal cuisine

TWO KITCHENS in a four-bedroom London terrace might seem excessive to most housebuyers, but there is an explanation for the apparent surplus in a Chelsea property where "For Sale" signs have just been erected.

It was the home of the late Elizabeth David, the acknowledged doyenne of English food writers, who brought the joys of Mediterranean *cuisine* to many a British dining table.

She lived for her kitchens — one for summer, the other for winter — which she always insisted should be the most comforting rooms in the house. Though they were cluttered, she was particular about the need for simplicity, made do with a simple four-ring gas stove, and did not much care for modern conveniences such as food-processors.

"I don't a bit covet the exotic gear dangling from hooks, the riot of clanking ironmongery, the army of knives or the serried ranks of sauté pans or the other carefully chosen symbols of culinary activity I see in so many photographs of chic kitchens," she once wrote. "Pseuds' corners, I'm afraid, many of them."

Her two genuine culinary corners, which she compared to "a painter's studio, furnished with cooking equipment" — with house attached — are on the market for £395,000.

● *John Major is to become the proud owner of a shiny stick, perfect for keeping wavering MPs in line. The Camanachd Association, the sport's governing body, will present him with an ornamental stick or "caman" commemorating its centenary in Inverness today. Jack Richmond, of the association, warns that the stick used for this Highland variant of hockey can cause serious injury. "The Speaker could probably do with a stick as well."*

Track record

SO DOES Lord Archer hold the record for the 100 yards sprint in Oxford? After his claim to the record was noted here recently, one of his contemporaries pointed out that Adrian Metcalfe, the managing director of a London television company, matched the noble lord's time of 9.6 seconds while at Oxford.

Metcalfe, who won a silver medal for the 400 metres relay at the 1964 Tokyo Olympics, is happy to set the record straight. "I ran 9.6 in 1964; Jeffrey ran 9.6 two years later. So it is our record, not mine. Jeffrey and I lived together at Oxford in 1964 — my last year and his first. We met through athletics and used to go training together. The record, of course, will last forever. Oxford went metric in 1968."



Metcalfe is godfather to Archer's son James, and is full of praise for his ability. "He was a very good sprinter. I am 6ft 4in and he is about 5ft 10in. He would scuttle off leaving me to lollop after him." Archer, however, is unusually modest. "My 9.6 was in Canada, on a rubber track, in perfect conditions. His was on cinders in Oxford. Adrian is a much better runner than I ever was. I raced against him 17 times and lost 17 times. He was always a good two yards faster than me."

OUT OF THE DESERT

Israel and the PLO reach a hard-won accord

The historic step has been taken. Israel and the Palestine Liberation Organisation have agreed to recognise each other, setting aside more than 40 years of war, hatred, terrorism and retaliation to embrace a compromise that opens the way for an end to one of the world's longest-running and most destabilising conflicts. The documents have been sent to Jerusalem and Tunis for decisions and signature. The titanic struggle between two peoples over a land which is cradle to the world's three great monotheistic religions may now end in the brotherhood and reconciliation that is the central message of Christianity, Judaism and Islam.

Both sides have come a remarkably long way. The Israelis, who only a generation ago denied the very existence of the Palestinians as a people, have set aside the territorial delusions of a Greater Israel and negotiated with the very man who for so long was anathematised as the incarnation of the Arab threat. The Palestinians have broken the trauma of defeat, seized at last an opportunity after letting so many slip, renounced the violence that brought them only international ostracism and have embarked on a course of coexistence within a limited framework of self-government.

The antagonism between Israelis and Palestinians was at the heart of the wider Arab-Israeli conflict. The end of the struggle that broke out in 1948 between Jews and Arabs in Palestine means that there is now no impediment to ending the state of war between Israel and all its Arab neighbours or to a philosophical reconciliation between Zionism and Islam. Jordan is expected to sign a peace agreement within a week; Syria, though using its present aloofness to underline its crucial political importance to any regional settlement, has made clear that it, too, is ready for the volte-face of recognition. Lebanon still has to accommodate the extravagant Israeli demand that it incorporate into its army the pro-Israeli militia in the south. But Beirut, perhaps more than any other capital, needs and wants a lasting peace.

Euphoria that the previously unimaginable has become reality should not mask the difficulties ahead. The rejectionists on both sides have shown their strength over the past week. The Likud opposition, allied to settler zealots, is determined, angry and ready to pull every trick to sabotage what they see in apocalyptic terms as the betrayal of Israeli security and the Zionist cause. The Hamas movement in Gaza and the West Bank is drawing on the confusion, suspicion of Israel and accusations of double-dealing by the PLO to reinvigorate its fundamentalist message: no peace, no accommodation, no end to the intifada. Cynics predict a struggle for power and economic collapse in Gaza that could halt all further movement towards autonomy.

But whatever the anger, mistrust and shock to entrenched attitudes, the momentum is towards peace. As Douglas Hurd observed in Saudi Arabia, both sides have now taken a leap forward so substantial, so dramatic and so clear that it is easier to go forwards than to go back. The open backing of the wider Arab world is vital. Continued American pressure and attention must keep the remaining negotiations on track. The promises of substantial sums of money to get the fledgling Palestinian entity going must be swiftly honoured. And the breakneck pace of change must be kept up before the opposition has time to regroup. Much could go wrong. Violence is not yet at an end. But the first step is always the hardest.

STORM IN A CABINET

The row over tax is economically unnecessary

John Major's ministers have crippled themselves repeatedly with self-inflicted wounds, ranging from the futile defence of the pound and the unnecessary tests of loyalty over Maastricht, to rows over pit closure and school tests. With the summer holidays now over, it seems to be Kenneth Clarke's turn to shoot at his own feet and those of his colleagues.

The Chancellor and a handful of his self-styled cabinet opponents have manufactured an artificial row over an economically meaningless "fiscal crisis". This appears guaranteed to foment Conservative disunity in the months leading up to November's Budget, a period when the prime minister desperately needed some calm to heal his party's wounds. More importantly, the ministerial jeremiads about possible fiscal disasters caused by the government's own policies will continue to distract public attention from the now-palpable economic recovery, which offered Mr Major his best hope of winning back political support.

Why, then, have ministers chosen to go to war over public spending and taxes? The only clear answers are negative. Mr Clarke's "right-wing" opponents do not seriously expect the Cabinet to back away from July's unanimous decision and cut public spending below the £254 billion ceiling then agreed. Mr Clarke, on the other hand, shows no sign of seriously wanting to take the draconian measures which he has pointedly refused to rule out. Whatever the Chancellor says or refuses to say publicly, his Budget is unlikely to raise income tax rates, abolish the national insurance ceilings or make further drastic extensions in the scope of value added tax. More likely is a token tax increase of £2 to £3 billion — a sum Mr Clarke could raise through relatively painless measures such as the non-indexation of personal allowances and further trimming of pensions and mortgage reliefs.

In indirectly attacking his cabinet colleagues, therefore, the Chancellor is not really threatening a frontal assualt on Tory tax shibboleths; he is merely reserving the right to make minor changes. The big tax increases already announced by Norman Lamont, in combination with the economic recovery which is now well established, will ensure that, with or without additional taxes, the PSBR falls slowly but steadily in the years ahead.

Should the government do somewhat more now to accelerate this fiscal retrenchment? Or should it wait for a year or two, until the economy is stronger and a tightening might be helpful in keeping inflationary pressures at bay? Shorn of exaggerated rhetoric, a lively debate among ministers on these questions would be perfectly healthy. But unless the Treasury knows something dreadful about the state of public finances which is not yet apparent in the published figures, there is no propect of a crisis package of swingeing tax increases, that would sweep all other political and economic considerations aside.

In reality, Mr Clarke probably has no intention of introducing draconian measures. In refusing to rule out such implausible, but inflammatory, options as higher income tax and VAT rates, he is merely following the time-honoured Treasury practice of "softening up" public opinion with threats, to make sure his budget comes as a relief when the direst measures are dropped. For Mr Clarke personally this may seem a winning formula. From his point of view, three months of internecine discord and public disquiet may be a price worth paying for a "successful" Budget. But for the Major government as a whole, the shadow boxing threatens to draw real blood.

NURSERY SCHOOL LESSONS

The government could save money by subsidising childcare

Politics is famously the language of priorities: policies have to compete for scarce cash. So it is almost unheard-of to find one that improves people's lives, boosts the economy and actually brings money into the Treasury. But that is what could happen if the government were to subsidise childcare, allowing more women to go out to work.

Yesterday, at the launch of *The Good Nursery Guide*, Labour's Harriet Harman called for the Chancellor to set up a national childcare programme in his Budget. He could do worse. Britain is scandalously short of pre-school childcare provision: a recent OECD report found the availability of formal childcare scarcer than in all but one of seven developed countries. Only 7 per cent of under-fives had formal care.

The result is that 40 per cent of British lone mothers work, compared with the EC average of 54 per cent; and for those with pre-school children, Britain's rate is half the EC's average. The shortage of affordable childcare is one of the main reasons why lone mothers do not take up job offers.

The cost of childcare takes a sizeable chunk out of any mother's income. For lone parents, the effect can be crippling, partly because they cannot share the cost with a partner, but also because it comes on top of fierce penalties from the benefit system. A lone mother can earn only £15 a week before her income support is reduced by a pound for every pound of additional earnings. She needs to earn more than £150 a week simply to break even after paying for one child's care. With two children, one at primary school, the break-even figure rises to £200.

The cost of lone parents not working is huge and rising. In 1992-3, social security spending on them was £6.6 billion, 9 per cent of the whole budget. That is up from £2.44 billion (in the same prices) in 1978-9, only 5.5 per cent of the budget. If those lone parents who wanted to join the workforce could do so, not only would their lives and the lives of their children be improved, but the government would save money too.

Sally Holtermann, in a study for the Daycare Trust, suggests a few alterations to benefit rules that could help 200,000 lone parents to take up paid work and would save the government nearly £500 million because the extra tax and national insurance paid by those newly in work would outweigh any extra benefit paid. If the state were to contribute two-thirds of the cost of a much expanded system of day care, with parents paying the other third (nothing for the very poor, 100 per cent for the rich), she estimates that, by the end of the expansion programme, the subsidy would cost £3.5 billion a year, but the flowback to the Exchequer would amount to £5.5 billion.

The result: over a million more parents in paid jobs, £12 billion added to family income and the national economy, 350,000 jobs created in childcare and about half a million children both better educated and rescued from poverty. How can Mr Clarke resist?

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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Standards at risk in residential care

From Councillor Rita Stringfellow

Sir, I see any move by the Department of Health to curtail local government's powers to register and inspect private homes, hospitals and nursing establishments (report, September 8) as part of the prime minister's push to deregulate the activities of public bodies and attack their bureaucracies.

The apparent intention is to identify and isolate factors that, deleted from the inspection process, would save time and money for small businesses based on the care of older people.

In 1990 the government introduced the National Health Service and Community Care Act. In April 1991 independent inspection units were set up to take on the wider duties of controlling care standards in older people's homes. It is curious, at the very least, now to suggest that the inspected should be asked whether the powers of their inspectors should be limited. Basic safety and food hygiene could be the casualties.

Yours faithfully,
RITA STRINGFELLOW
(Chairman, Social
Services Committee),
Association of Metropolitan
Authorities,
35 Great Smith Street, SW1.
September 8.

From the Chief Executive of the RNID

Sir, Your report of the government's plans to relax regulations governing residential care raises a number of worrying issues. Some provisions of the Registered Homes Act 1984, which was introduced to ensure clearly set standards of residential care in both the private and the voluntary sector, could do with improvement; but to jettison the whole Act now could be to condemn disabled and elderly people to lower standards of care and greater insecurity.

Why, when in October 1992 the Department of Health announced a consultation exercise over the inspection of residential care establishments, which has yet to be published, is this the first that we hear of an exercise looking at the deregulation of the whole sector?

The current initiative has all the hallmarks of hasty and ill-thought out policy-making on the hoof. I would hope there is still time for the government to withdraw this ill-timed initiative.

Yours faithfully,
STUART ETHERINGTON,
Chief Executive,
The Royal National Institute
for Deaf People,
105 Gower Street, WC1.
September 8.

From Mr Angus Paton

Sir, In our view, as advisers to elderly people about appropriate residential and nursing home care, the timing of the Department of Health's letter could not have been worse.

The government has encouraged the development of private homes, while local authority homes have been closed. However, the public attitude towards private homes is still uncertain and is not helped by increased doubts about the way they are regulated. People's fear about going into a home is not alleviated by the suggestion that there may be less control.

With a growing ageing population, the need for more and better homes is paramount. I think it likely that the department's letter has been misunderstood, but its publication merely adds to the confusion of elderly, worried people.

Yours sincerely,
ANGUS PATON,
Director,
GRACE (Home finding agency),
35 Walnut Tree Close,
Guildford, Surrey.
September 8.

From Miss S. R. Kibel

Sir, The government is asking the proprietors of old people's homes and similar institutions whether various measures of deregulation would assist them as the operators of small businesses. Surely it is the philosophy of the citizen's charter that it is the consumers, not the suppliers, who should be consulted.

Is there, therefore, to be a parallel, comprehensive, independently and confidentially conducted enquiry, amongst residents/patients, past and present, to ascertain their views on the public protection they need, as, by definition, vulnerable members of society? If not, why not?

Yours faithfully,
REGINA KIBEL,
7 Barham House,
Molyneux Street, W1.
September 8.

Flown away

From Mr Alasdair Aston

Sir, I was sorry to hear about the scarcity of butterflies at Capel St Mary, Suffolk, this year (letter, September 6). At Framlingham, which is not very far from Capel, we saw peacock butterflies on every day between August 1 and 7, and red admirals every day except August 5, as well as large and small whites.

Yours faithfully,
ALASDAIR ASTON,
84 Northiam Street, E9.
September 6.

Why girls beat boys in GCSE league

From the General Secretary of the Girls' Schools Association

Sir, The success of girls at 16 in the GCSE league table, particularly at all-girls schools (report, September 7), is of course an achievement that gives us pleasure. However, we recognise that the issues raised in your leader of the same day, "A class of one's own", are important and interesting.

In our schools we have always placed great importance on quality of education and learning: we have never felt that success equated solely with examination results. Teaching all skills and developing the whole person are aims we all share.

But why do girls do so well at 16 yet appear not to be so successful at A level and in higher education?

Could this be to do with examinations where success can depend on an ability to develop an examination technique conforming to time-honoured rules? For historical reasons only, this must imply rules devised according to male understanding. Is GCSE an examination more suited to assessing today's educational approach?

Academic rigour is a quality we all consider of utmost value. Perhaps the answer could be a new look to examinations that combine the best of all different approaches.

Yours faithfully,
ANN PARKIN,
General Secretary,
Girls' Schools Association,
130 Regent Road, Leicester.
September 7.

From the Headmaster of Sir William Borlase's Grammar School

Sir, Your league table and leader tempted you to conclude that girls perform better at 16 in all-girls schools rather than in coeducational schools. For this conclusion you would need to compare the results of girls in both types of school and I invite you to do this.

You also conclude that it was better for girls to be entered only for a small number of GCSE examinations, and the criterion on which your league table was based made it likely that schools that had done this would figure highly. This option is open to independent schools but is much more difficult for state schools.

Grammar schools are constrained by the national curriculum, and if pupils are to be permitted to take GCSE courses in a second foreign language or Latin, or art, music or drama, they are likely to take nine or ten subjects.

In this school we saw the average number of A, B and C GCSE passes per candidate, while those young people gaining all A grades did so in ten, 11 or 12 subjects. Half were boys, half girls. It would be sad if schools took your advice and made it impossible for young people to achieve at this high level across such a broad range of subjects.

Yours sincerely,
L. A. SMY,
Headmaster,
Sir William Borlase's
Grammar School,
Marlow, Buckinghamshire.
September 8.

From the Headmaster of Mill Hill School

Sir, The conclusions in your leader on the GCSE results are misguided, to say the least. You cannot deduce from these results that "many girls ... thrive on single-sex secondary education", though they may. All you can deduce is that highly selective boys' and girls' schools will produce outstanding results and that highly motivated girls in such schools will perform better than the boys at that age.

You can also deduce that the same boys will achieve better results at A level than the same girls. If I interpret the statistics correctly, Winchester and the other boys' schools still outstrip all the girls' schools at A level. If we are to have league tables, then the least we can hope for is that a paper such as yours will interpret them correctly.

Let me add one personal note. The easiest pupils to teach are the bright boys and girls in such schools. It is wonderful; you simply stand up and throw ideas around and they respond. The schools and teachers that deserve real credit are those that turn sows' ears into silk purses.

Yours sincerely,
EUAN A. M. MacALPINE,
Headmaster,
Mill Hill School,
The Ridgeway, NW7.
September 8.

From Miss Caroline P. M. Higgins

Sir, As the mother of boys and stepmother of girls, may I suggest that the welcome improvement in GCSE results at girls' schools is partly due to the significantly greater time and effort spent, and status gained, by adolescent boys on the playing field — necessary to their physical and mental health, without doubt, but surely relevant in diluting performance and achievement at GCSE?

Yours faithfully,
CAROLINE P. M. HIGGINS,
6 Earlsfield Road, SW18.

US anglophobes

From Mr John Banks

Sir, Your alarmist correspondent from New York, Kate Muir ("The anti-British backlash", August 25), does not relate the news that *Spy's* recently appointed editor, Tony Hendra, is himself British, and so part of the trend that his magazine appears to deplore. Since his September issue provides most of Ms Muir's evidence for American anglophobia, Mr Hendra's standpoint seems relevant.

As one of the original writers of *Spitting Image*, Mr Hendra is not new to anti-British lampoons of the grosser sort. Though Cambridge-educated, he has worked on satirical publications in the United States for most of his career, so his observations of our disintegration can hardly have been close. I doubt that his views should be taken as representative of many over there.

Nor is William Safire's attack on the BBC's handbook on style indicative of more general anglophobia; the reverse, if anything, in its implicit acknowledgment of the BBC's influence across the sea.

Yours faithfully,
JOHN BANKS,
24 Millington Road, Cambridge.

From Mrs Joan Carper

Sir, To claim that the *New York Times* columnist William Safire "has joined in the fray" by ripping apart the BBC stylebook is grossly misleading. *Every week* Mr Safire "rips apart" and corrects sloppy English — wherever it comes from.

This certainly does not make him a Brit-basher.

Sincerely,
JOAN CARPER,
3 The Drive,
Sevenoaks, Kent.
August 25.

From Lady Fieldhouse

Sir, Kate Muir whinges on about how much we are hated in the United States, while doing a great job of talking us down herself.

That is probably part of the problem. The press and, indeed, all the media spend their whole time denigrating the UK and everything therein. Is it any wonder that other countries take their cue from our own press?

Yours faithfully,
MARGARET FIELDHOUSE,
Pippins, 16 Ryde Place,
Lee on Solent, Hampshire.
August 25.

Estate agencies

From Mr Neil Sewell

Sir, As a practising independent estate agent, I heartily endorse Bernard Levin's sentiments on the profligacy of the huge agency chains that dominate the market ("Lose the money and run", August 31).

To mitigate their profligacy, the mandarins who took over estate agencies would no doubt blame the housing market recession of the past four years.

However, in the rush to acquire as many branches as possible, nobody, it appears, took time to consider that the boom would not last for ever.

The main reason for the failure is that many of the new owners did not realise that estate agency is primarily a local business, dealing in a local market with local people, and cannot be run on gigantic corporate lines.

The chartered surveyor is the property professional, embracing a breadth of skills and with an instinct for property.

The management of such a fundamental asset is valuable to any organisation, but surely the contribution of chartered surveyors at the highest level should be vital to the largest building society, responsible for such huge investment in property.

I was president of the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors at the time of the stampede into estate agency by the lending institutions and indeed sold my own practice to the Halifax — a judgment that has proved since to be good.

Had those who purchased agencies listened carefully to the chartered surveyors for whose goodwill and flair they had paid substantially, fewer mistakes would have been made and the investors' interests would have been better served.

Yours truly,
MICHAEL CLARK,
Le Pigeonnier, Villeneuve de Mezin,
47170 Lot et Garonne, France.
September 8.

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British Library's words of wisdom

From Professor Lauro Martines

Sir, I invite you to look at the publicity brochure recently issued by the chief executive and governing board of the UK's national library: "The British Library. For Scholarship, Research and Innovation: Strategic Objectives for the year 2000."

It reads like an edict from some military GHQ. What else are we to make of such metaphors as "strategic plan", "our new flagship building at St Pancras", "a centre for the capture, storage and transmission of electronic documents", "the need to set our sights on a limited number of key objectives", "our strategic goals on a broad front", "the need to inform decision making", and "our occupation of the St Pancras building"?

These phrases and many like them appear in the short introduction. And the prose of the rest of the document is no less forbidding, for it is clogged with entanglements of coupled nouns, such as "record creation" and "collection development".

"The British Library ... 2000" seems to have been produced by a committee and "processed" by a machine. I wonder whether those who publish English of this sort should be allowed near the British Library's priceless and vast collection of early books — not to speak of putting them in charge of it.

Yours sincerely,
LAURO MARTINES
(Professor of History, University
of California, Los Angeles),
8 Gloucester Crescent, NW1.
September 2.

Russian children

From Dr E. A. Shinebourne

Sir, At the same time as the government quite properly supports treatment in Britain for sick and injured children from Bosnia, it has cancelled the part of the UK-USSR health agreement whereby Russian children in need of specialised care unavailable in Russia could come to the UK for treatment under the NHS. Nearly 40 children with congenital heart disease have been so treated at this hospital.

It is of course right that we should help Bosnian children, but our government's motivation seems to be largely political expediency. The cancellation of the health agreement was not something Virginia Bottomley and John Major made so public.

Yours faithfully,
ELLIOT A. SHINEBOURNE,
Royal Brompton National Heart
& Lung Hospital,
Sydney Street, SW3.
September 1.

Gielgud biography

From Mr Sheridan Morley

Sir, Contrary to the questionable "publishing sources" quoted in your Diary (August 24), I am not "waiting for [Sir John Gielgud] to die" before publishing the authorised biography.

When we agreed that I should write the book (three rather than the five years ago that your Diarist claims) we always knew that it would be a long-term project, and that it remains. I am, however, working as rapidly as I can, and fully expect its first reader to be Sir John.

Yours truly,
SHERIDAN MORLEY,
19 Carlyle Court,
Chelsea Harbour, SW10.
September 6.

Rights in East Timor

From Mr Jonathan Humphreys

Sir, The Indonesian ambassador (letter, September 2) expressed surprise at the increase of Roman Catholics in East Timor since the invasion.

Faced with genocide on the one hand and with the threat of being swamped by the thousands of transmigrants being shipped in from all parts of Indonesia on the other, it is no wonder that the East Timorese are turning to the Church as a means of preserving their national identity.

Yours faithfully,
JONATHAN HUMPHREYS
(Honorary Secretary),
The British Coalition for East Timor,
PO Box 2349, London E1 3HX.
September 2.

Getting on now

From Mr Michael Rubinstein

Sir, After all these years I have forgotten about approaching middle age (letters, September 7). But I have noticed that a man signifies he has got beyond it when he refuses to be helped on with his overcoat.

Yours faithfully,
MICHAEL RUBINSTEIN,
1 Walkern Road,
Benington, Hertfordshire.
September 8.

From Mr Louis Rubens

Sir, I am painfully aware that I must be rapidly approaching my "sell by" date when I realise that I know more people in the hereafter than here.

Yours faithfully,
LOUIS RUBENS,
12 Gunnersbury Manor,
Elm Avenue, Ealing, W5.

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COURT CIRCULAR

BUCKINGHAM PALACE
September 9: The Prince Edward, Chairman, The Duke of Edinburgh's Award Special Projects Group, this evening held a meeting at Buckingham Palace.
BUCKINGHAM PALACE
September 9: The Princess Royal this morning opened the Chaplaincy Centre, Borders General Hospital, Melrose, and was received by Her Majesty's Lord Lieutenant for Roxburgh, Ettrick and Lauderdale (the Duke of Buccleuch and Queensberry, KT).
Her Royal Highness this afternoon opened the newly refurbished Hawick Secondary School, Hawick.
The Princess Royal, President, British Knitting and Clothing Export Council, later visited William Lockie and Co Limited, Westfield Works, Hawick.
Her Royal Highness, President, British Knitting and Clothing Export Council, afterwards visited Dawson International United Brands Limited, Cross Wynd, Hawick.
Mrs Charles Ritchie was in attendance.
ST JAMES'S PALACE
September 9: The Prince of Wales, Colonel-in-Chief, the Parachute Regiment, this morning received Lieutenant Colonel Timothy Burls upon relinquishing his appointment as Commanding Officer, 3rd Battalion, and Lieutenant Colonel Maldwyn Worsley-Tonks upon assuming the appointment.
His Royal Highness later received the Lord Attenborough.
The Prince of Wales this afternoon received the Baroness Chalker of Wallasey (Minister of State, Foreign and Commonwealth Office, and Minister for Overseas Development).
KENSINGTON PALACE
September 9: The Princess of Wales this morning received Lord Eatwell, Chairman, CRUSAID.
KENSINGTON PALACE
September 9: The Duke of Gloucester today visited Nottingham and was received on arrival by Her Majesty's Lord Lieutenant for Nottinghamshire (Sir Andrew Buchanan, Bt).
In the morning His Royal Highness opened the Queen's Medical Centre Imaging Centre, University Hospital, and in the afternoon opened the Trent Division Headquarters of the Nottinghamshire Constabulary, West Bridgford. Afterwards The Duke of Gloucester presented the International Velo City Conference's Cycle Safety Award at County Hall and later opened "Herons", a Derwent Housing Association Home for the Elderly, Toton.
His Royal Highness then visited St Mary's Church and Shire Hall and finally opened the Lace Market Discovery and Education Centre.
Major Nicholas Barne was in attendance.
THATCHED HOUSE LODGE
RICHMOND PARK
September 9: Princess Alexandra, Vice-Patron, this afternoon visited the Young Women's Christian Association at Kirkcaldy, and was received by Her Majesty's Lord Lieutenant for Fife (The Earl of Elgin and Kincardine, KT).

Birthdays today

Mr Thomas Allen, singer, 49; Mrs Beryl Cook, painter, 67; Mr John Entwistle, rock guitarist, 49; Professor C.H.M.J. Gilles, expert on tropical medicine, 72; Mr Antony Hichens, chairman, MB Caradon Group, 57; Mr Christopher Hogwood, musicologist, 52; Mr Niall MacDermot, QC, former secretary general, International Commission of Jurists, 77; Major J.D. Makgill Crichton Maitland, Lord Lieutenant of Renfrewshire, 68; the Very Rev Michael Mayne, Dean of Westminster, 64; Mr Norman Morrice, choreographer, 62; Lord Justice Nolan, 65; Mr Neville Ovens, chief constable, Lincolnshire, 55; Mr Arnold Palmer, golfer, 64; General Sir Antony Read, former governor, Royal Hospital, Chelsea, 80; Sir Peter Reynolds, former deputy chairman, Ranks Hovis McDougall, 64; Mr Denis Richards, air historian, 83; Dame Betty Ridley, former Third Church Estates Commissioner, 94; Mr Bill Rogers, golfer, 42; Dr Brian Smith, chairman, BAA, 65; Sir Robert Smith, former chairman, Standard Life Assurance, 66; Sir Rupert Speir, former MP, 83; Miss Gwen Watford, actress, 66; Professor Carel Weight, painter, 85.

Today's royal engagements

Prince Edward, as President of The Lord's Taverners, will attend the Lady Taverners' summer ball at the Hotel Inter-Continental at 7.40.

The Princess Royal will attend a golden jubilee congress of the Hospital Physicists' Association at the Victoria Rooms, Bristol, at 10.30; as Patron of the Home Farm Trust, will attend a meeting at Merchants House, Wapping Road, Bristol, at 11.50; and, as Visitor of the Dorothy House Foundation Macmillan Service, will visit patients at 164 Bloomfield Road, Bath, at 2.15.

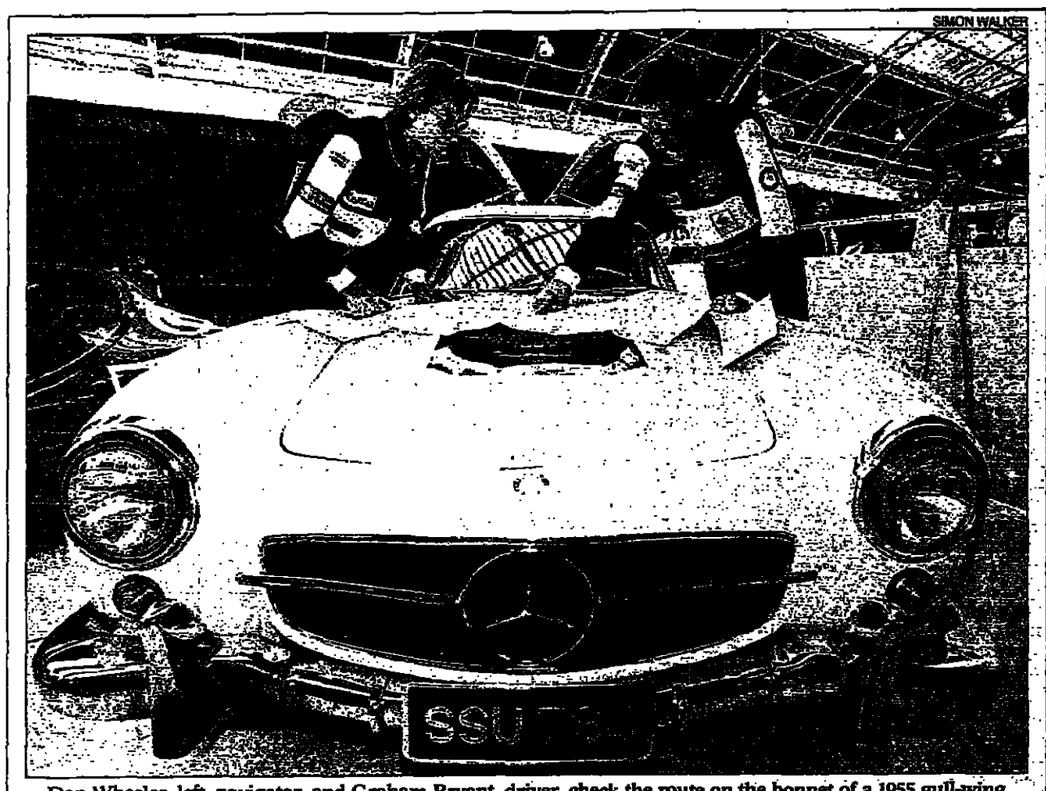
The Duke of Kent, as Colonel-in-Chief of the Royal Regiment of Fusiliers, will attend the regimental dinner at Hythe Mess, School of Infantry, Warminster, at 7.30.

Memorial service

Dr David Paul
A service of thanksgiving for the life of Dr David Paul was held on Wednesday at St Lawrence Jewry-next-Guildhall. The Rev David Burgess officiated. Mr John Putman, grandson, read the lesson and Miss Samantha Stevens, granddaughter, gave a reading. Mr Justice Leonard gave an address.
Among those present were:
Mrs Paul (widow), Mr and Mrs Keith Stevens (son-in-law and daughter), Miss Natasha Stevens (granddaughter), Lady Leonard, Sir Montague Levine, Chief Inspector Chris Budden (Courts Division, Metropolitan Police), Mr Bernard Pearl (acting coroner, City of London Coroner's Court), Dr Arnold Mendoza (deputy coroner, Northern District, London), Mr Owen Kelly (Commissioner of the City of London Police) with Commander Hugh Moore; Mr T Dickinson (Head of CID, City of London Police), Dr Peter Warren (executive council, British Academy of Forensic Sciences) with Dr Peter Tooley; Dr Robin Moffat (Association of Police Surgeons), Mr Ivor Reynolds (Association of ex-CID Officers of the Metropolitan Police), Dr Roger Berrett, Dr F Lewington, Dr E M Wilson and Dr Ann Tatton (Metropolitan Police Laboratory) with Mr David Halliday (Fire Investigation Unit); Mr P Millen (Surrey Police Force), Mr C Stevens, Professor and Mrs D Bowen, Professor J M Cameron, Dr John Havard, Professor and Mrs G C Jenkins and Mr Daniel McCarthy.

Anniversaries

BIRTHS: Thomas Sydenham, physician, Dorset, 1624; John Needham, priest and man of science, London, 1713; Sir John Soane, architect, Goring-on-Thames, 1753; Mungo Park, explorer, Foulshiels, Borders, 1771; Sir John Seeley, historian, London, 1834; Robert Koldewey, archaeologist who excavated Babylon, Blankenburg am Harz, Germany, 1855; Franz Werfel, writer, Prague, 1890; Cyril Connolly, critic, Coventry, 1903.
DEATHS: Edward Pococke, orientalist, Oxford, 1691; Mary Wollstonecraft Godwin, pioneer for the rights of women, London, 1797; Ugo Foscolo, poet, Turnham Green, Middlesex, 1827; Wilfrid Scawen Blunt, traveller, poet and politician, Southwater, Sussex, 1922; Balthazar Vorster, Prime Minister of South Africa 1966-78, President 1978-79, Cape Town, 1983.


SIMON WALKER

Dan Wheeler, left, navigator, and Graham Bryant, driver, check the route on the bonnet of a 1955 gull-wing Mercedes 300 SL at Victoria Station, London, yesterday before setting off to try to beat the Orient Express

Sporting drivers roll up to re-run a great train race

SURPRISED commuters picked their way past rows of classic cars at Victoria Station yesterday as motoring fanatics lined up by the Orient Express at the start of a two-day, 1,000-mile race against the train to Milan (Nicholas Watt writes). As the express pulled out of the station the cars roared off on the first stage of a challenge which was due to end last night with a circuit of the Nurburgring grand prix circuit near Frankfurt. On the way the cars, which include a Mercedes gullwing, a Daimler SP250 sports car and a 1922 Vauxhall 30/98, raced around Brands Hatch in Kent and the French circuit at Montlhery near Paris. They take on the train again in Frankfurt at dawn today. The rules are strict. Any car caught taking a short cut or breaking speed limits will be disqualified. Michael Scott, of the 96 Motoring Club, the organisers, said: "Any car that arrives in Milan before 5pm on Friday evening will obviously have speeded and will be disqualified." Lord Montagu of Beaulieu, who started the race, said: "The challenge is in the tradition of the 1920s when the Bentley Boys raced the Blue Train between London and the French Riviera."



Two passengers from Norway, Solveig Aaen and Morton Lie, in period outfits, prepare to board

Church news

Church of Scotland
Ordination and induction
The Rev Barry Boyd to St Laurence, Forres.
The Rev Christine M. Creegan to Newtonhill.
The Rev Margaret J. Garden to Fintray and Kinellar with Keithall.
The Rev Calum D. McDonald, to Salcoats North.
The Rev Linda Williams, Associate, to St Andrews, Inverurie.
Inductions
The Rev Ian Meredith to Blantyre, St Andrews.
The Rev Margaret A. Muir to Inveraven and Glenlivet.
Retirements
The Rev James B. Allan from South Dalziel, Motherwell.
The Rev Ivor Gibson from Abercorn with Dalmeny.
The Rev Andrew L. Stevenson from Balmerino with Wormit.

Luncheon

HM Government
The Hon Douglas Hurd, Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs, was host at a luncheon held yesterday at the Foreign and Commonwealth Office in honour of Dr Domingo Cavallo, Minister of Economy, Works and Public Services of Argentina.

Appointment

Mr R.M. Hastie-Smith is Chairman of the Froebel Council in place of Mr R.K. Hands who retired last month.

School announcements

Caterham School
The Autumn Term at Caterham began on September 9, 1993. Tahir Wahid has been appointed Senior Prefect and Alex Rippingale is Captain of Rugby. The Girls boarding house has been extended and the Open Morning for 6th Form girls is on Saturday, November 6. Open Morning for Boys wishing to enter the Preparatory and Main School next year will be held on Saturday, October 9. The National Youth Jazz Orchestra will play on October 4 at 7.45pm. The Old Caterhamians Dinner will be held at school on Friday, October 22, and OC Day is November 14. Founders Day will be on November 13 when the preacher will be the Right Rev Donald Hilton, Moderator of the United Reformed Church. Lionel Bart's *Oliver* will be performed December 8-11 and the Carol Service is on December 12.

Douai School (Coeducational)
The Christmas Term at Douai began on September 6. Father Edmund Power, OSB, has taken over as Headmaster from Father Geoffrey Scott, OSB. The first intake of girls has joined the Junior House. Head of School is David Nolan and the Deputy is Tolu Igbon. The Douai Rugby 15-a-side Festival will be held on Sunday, September 12 and The Prep Schools' 6-a-side Soccer Competition on Sunday, September 19. An Old Boys' Dinner will be held in New York on October 29. An English Nativity will be performed on December 13 and 14 and the Carol Service will take place on December 17, both in the newly completed Abbey Church.

Headington School, Oxford
The Autumn Term began on September 9. Mrs Bulkeley takes up her position as Deputy Head Mistress following the retirement of Mrs Penford. Sarah Moore continues as Head of School assisted by Charlotte Ramsay as Senior Boarder and by Helen Bamford and Alex Kemp as Senior Daygirls. Prize Giving will take place on Friday, October 22. The guest will be Mrs Joanna Foster, retired Chair of the Equal Opportunities Commission, and Chair of the UK Campaign of the UN's International Year of the Family 1994. The Headington Lecture Series "Towards 2000" will be inaugurated. Professor Tony Barron will speak on "Democracy" on Thursday, October 14, and on Thursday, November 25, Dr Caroline Jackson will talk on "Europe". A joint performance of the Messiah will take place with Abingdon School on November 26 and 27. The School Production on December 2 and 3 will be *The Boyfriend*. The Carol Service will take place in Christ Church Cathedral on Sunday, December 12. Term ends on Thursday, December 16.

St David's College, Llandudno
The Autumn term started on Monday, September 6 for the 6th Form and the remainder of the school returned on Wednesday, September 8. Head Boy is James Bleakley; Deputy Head Boy is Nolan Shinn. The Old Davideans' weekend will be held on November 13/14. Term ends after the Carol Service on December 17.

St David's School for Girls
Autumn Term at St David's School for Girls, Ashford, Middlesex, will commence September 15. Head Girl for the academic year: Wendy Lee, deputy Chacasta Pritlove. Speech Day: Friday, November 12, at Spelthorne Leisure Centre Hall; Professor Norman Gowar, Principal of Royal Holloway and Bedford New College, will present the prizes. St David's and Hallifford Sixth Form Consortium enters its eighth year.

Wellingborough School
Michaelmas term at Wellingborough School began on Thursday, September 9 with 830 pupils in the School. Mr F.R. Ullmann, formerly Headmaster of Ruthin School, takes up his appointment as Headmaster. Kiron Bose is Head of School and Nicola Willis is Deputy Head. Speech Day will be on Saturday, October 23 when the distinguished guest will be Mr John Tusa, President of Wolfson College, Cambridge.

New head

Mrs Deborah Forbes has been appointed Head of Queen Anne's School, Caversham, Berkshire. Mrs Forbes was previously Head of English at Cheltenham Ladies' College.

Forthcoming marriages

Mr N.J. Allday and Mrs M.H. Allison
The forthcoming marriage is announced between Nik, son of Dr and Mrs R.K. Allday, of Boston, and Marianne, daughter of Dr T.T.S. Ingram, of Gifford, and the late Professor Ingram.

Mr A.J. Butt and Miss A. Newbury
The engagement is announced between Andrew John, younger son of Mr and Mrs J.A. Butt, of Grimsby, and Amanda, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs G.M. Newbury, of Sleaford, Lincolnshire.

Mr M.W. Cooke and Miss F.C. Guinness
The engagement is announced between Matthew, youngest son of Mr and Mrs Simon Cooke, of Deers, Clavering, Essex, and Freya, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs Geoffrey Guinness, of Richmond, Surrey.

Mr M.A.J. Gregory and Miss J.M. Keats
The engagement is announced between Mark, son of the late Mr Ronald Gregory and of Mrs Carole Gregory, of Wheathampstead, Hertfordshire, and Jacqueline, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs Peter Keats, of East Grinstead, West Sussex.

Mr C.J. Houston and Miss C.S. Kenyon
The engagement is announced between Christopher, son of Mrs Gisèle Houston, of Chipping Sodbury, and the late Mr E.W. Houston, and Catherine, daughter of Mr and Mrs P.H.A. Kenyon, of Barnes, London.

Mr M.W. Hudson and Miss C.D.K. Anstey
Mrs Edgar Anstey is delighted to announce the marriage of her daughter Caroline D.K. Anstey to Milton W. Hudson in McLean, Virginia, USA, today at 3.00pm.

Mr P.J. Hughes and Miss J.E. Moore
The engagement is announced between Paul James, elder son of Mr and Mrs Cyril Hughes, of Nerston, Strathclyde, and Jane Elizabeth, daughter of Mr and Mrs Alan Moore, of Teddington, Middlesex.

Mr C.L. Macdonald and Miss E.J.D. Drysdale
The engagement is announced between Charles, elder son of Mr and Mrs Macdonald of Tote House, Isle of Skye, and Juliet, daughter of Mr and Mrs John Drysdale, Brill House, Brill, Buckinghamshire.

Mr P.D. Matthews and Miss K.M. Selwyn
The engagement is announced between Paul, son of Mr and Mrs Trevor Matthews, of Bargoed, South Wales, and Karina, daughter of Mr and Mrs Jeffrey Selwyn, of Totteridge, London.

Lord Ivar Mountbatten and Miss P.A.V. Thompson
The engagement is announced between Lord Ivar Mountbatten, son of the late Marquess of Milford Haven and of Janet Marchioness of Milford Haven, and Penny, daughter of Mr Colin Thompson, of Warminster, Wiltshire, and Mrs Rosemary Walker, of Chippenham, Wiltshire.

Mr J.E.M. Newman and Miss S.E. Crawford
The engagement is announced between James, son of His Honour Judge and Mrs Cyril Newman, of Orlestone, Kent, and Sarah, daughter of Mr and Mrs Gavin Crawford, of Holland Park, London, and Fife.

Mr A.J. Silcock and Miss J. Mackay
The engagement is announced between Anthony, eldest son of Mr and Mrs John Silcock, of Reigate, Surrey, and June Mackay, of Thurso, Scotland.

Flying Officer J.N. Tiddy and Miss A.L. Webb
The engagement is announced between Nigel, son of Mr and Mrs Clive Tiddy, of Sheffield, and Amanda, daughter of Mr and Mrs Nigel Webb, of Langham, Rutland.

Major A.E. Wellesley, AAC, and Dr A.J. Pugh
The engagement is announced between Major Andrew Edward Wellesley, Army Air Corps, younger son of Mr R.C.A. Wellesley and the late Mrs H.W. Wellesley, of Willand, Devon, and Amanda Jane, daughter of Mr and Mrs J.R. Pugh, of Sampford Spiney, Devon.

Mr P.G.C. Wishart and Miss A. Mrdalj
The engagement is announced between Paul, son of Mr and Mrs I.C. Wishart, of Aston Tirrold, Oxfordshire, and Angela, daughter of Mr P. Mrdalj and Mrs N. Mrdalj, both of London.

Mr A.W. Younger and Miss S. Hopkins
The engagement is announced between Alex, son of Mr and Mrs Nicholas Younger, of Thirsk, North Yorkshire, and Sarah, daughter of Mr and Mrs Michael Hopkins, of Hampstead, London.

Latest wills

Reginald Pascoe Grenfell, of London SW10, husband of the late Joyce Grenfell, left estate valued at £599,238 net.
He left £20,000 to the Joyce Grenfell Memorial Trust, and certain papers, letters, manuscripts, photographs, drawings and similar documents relating to his late wife to the Claremont Fan Court School, Esher.
Mrs Evelyn Pratt, of Bramshott, Hampshire, widow of Boris Karloff, the actor, left estate valued at £1,673,712 net.
After personal bequests of about £200,000 she left £5,000 each to the Lords Taverners, for the National Playing Fields Association, and the Ken Barrington Cricket Centre at The Oval, £10,000 to the Actors' Fund of America, and the residue to her trustees for such charitable purposes as they select.
Helen Jean Cope, of Markfield, Leicestershire, left estate valued at £3,228,784 net.
She left £104,000 and some effects to personal legatees, £50,000 to the RSPCA, Horsham, and a further £2,000 to the RSPCA, Loughborough Branch, £20,000 each to Loughborough High School for Girls, the Parkinson's Disease Society, Guide Dogs for the Blind Association, Multiple Sclerosis Society and Imperial Cancer Research Fund, £10,000 to the RSPB, £5,000 each to Emmanuel Church, Loughborough, the Royal Leicestershire, Rutland and Wycliffe Society for the Blind, and the Sue Ryder Foundation at Staunton Harold Hall, £2,000 to the Loughborough Disablement Committee, £1,000 to the Gillian Campbell Trust to benefit pupils at Pennhos College, Colwyn Bay, and the residue to her trustees for such charitable institutions in such proportions as they think fit requesting them to give regard to any wishes she may have expressed to them.
Mr Hugh Sydney Hunt, of Criccieth, Gwynedd, the theatre director and first Professor of Drama at Manchester University, left estate valued at £186,584 net.
He left £750 to the Church of St. John the Baptist, Llanystumdwy.
Minette Henrietta Cairns Smith, of Rye, East Sussex, left estate valued at £724,304 net.
She left personal legacies totalling £71,000, "the remainder of all my cash and investments" as to 5/6ths to the Imperial Cancer Research Fund and 1/6th to the National Trust, and the residue to the Cancer Relief MacMillan Fund.
Other estates include (net, before tax paid):

Wilfred Hirst Ainley, of Ripon, North Yorks	£767,005
Gerald Ashton, of Heath and Reach, Beds	£671,530
Edith Bulbring, of Oxford	£690,136
Brenda Ruby Carter, of Midhurst, West Sussex	£1,101,897
Mary Eileen Chown, of Frensham, Surrey	£933,641
Eileen Laura Cook, of Salisbury, Wilts	£518,403
John Davey Eccles, of Brighton, East Sussex	£739,082
Frank Wilson Furness, of Thirsk, North Yorks	£1,695,576
Gladys Mary Greenslade, of Torquay, Devon	£685,852
Muriel Prestwich, of Deganwy, Gwynedd	£1,201,390
Martha Emilia Sklarz, of Kew, Surrey	£1,226,894
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Romans 8:18

BIRTHS

BENTLEY-BUCKLE - On September 1st 1993, to Amanda, wife of Nicholas, a son, Anthony William Henry, a brother for Georgina.
BORRETT - On 1st September, to Alison (née Squires) and David, a wonderful son, Thomas James.
BREWERTON - On September 8th, to Angie and Jake, a son, Marcus. A grandson for Alice Kasoon of New York, Patricia and David.
CANT - On 30th August 1993, to Kay and Michael, a daughter, Susannah Verity, a sister for Caroline and Felicity.
HARTLEY - On September 8th, to Jane (née Van den Berg) and Robert, a daughter, Lowella Bean.
HUNT - On September 9th, to Rosie (née Maddan) and Simon, a daughter, Sylvie, a sister for Jessamine, Eliza and Marina.
MIERS - On 5th September, to Ania and Lucian, a son, Alexander Peter.
MILLAR - On 2nd September at Queen Charlotte's, to Anna and Mark, a son, Angus David Forbes.
ROBERTS - On September 8th at Royal Berkshire Hospital, Reading, to Deborah and Kevin, a daughter, Holly Victoria.
SAMPSON - On 31st August, to Gillian (née Dootson) and Peter, a daughter, Clare Margaret, a sister for James and Edward.
SPENSLEY - On September 1st at Levallois, to Alison (née Alexander) and Graham, a son, Rory Alexander MacLaren, a brother for Olivia.

ANNIVERSARIES

WILLIAMS:TANNER - Emlyn and Tricia. Congratulations on 10th Anniversary from both families.

DEATHS

ALEXANDER - On 8th September, peacefully, William Picken (Bill), Baron Alexander of Potterhill, aged 87 years. Dearly beloved husband of Joan, father of Robin (deceased) and Bruce and grandfather of Thomas. Funeral at Breakspear Crematorium, Ruislip, on Friday 17th September at 11am. No memorial service at Bill's request. Family flowers only please. Donations to Great Ormond Street Childrens Hospital.

BANNERMAN - At Invergordon County Hospital, on 8th September 1993, Charles Bannerman, artist, of Miller House, Cromarty. Graduate of Grays' School of Art, Aberdeen. Beloved uncle, great-uncle and great-great-uncle of the family. Loved and admired by his many friends both home and abroad. Cremation will take place at Perth Crematorium on Tuesday 14th September at 1.45 pm. Family flowers only please, but he would have appreciated donations to his favourite charity, The Cats Protection League, of 3 Castlebank Street, Edinburgh. At a later date in Cromarty we hope to arrange a gathering of friends in his memory.

BARCLAY - On September 8th, suddenly but peacefully at home, Christine D'A. Widow of James Barclay, much loved mother of David and Rosemary and the late Gillian Meyer, beloved grandmother, great-grandmother and mother-in-law. Private cremation service. Memorial Service on Friday October 1st at St Mary's Church, Fownhope, Hereford at 3 pm. Family flowers only please but donations, if desired, to St Mary's Church, c/o The Vicarage, Fownhope, Hereford or British Red Cross, 9 Grosvenor Crescent, London SW1X 7EJ.
BLAKE - On September 7th, peacefully at St Raphael's Hospice, Eileen Doris, much loved aunt of Denise and John Croysdill. Funeral Service at North East Surrey Crematorium on Thursday September 16th at 1.30 pm. Family flowers only, donations if desired to St Raphael's Hospice, St Anthony's Hospital, 801 London Road, Cheam, Surrey.
CLARKE - On September 5th 1993, suddenly at home in Cambridge, William Henry Paul (Bill). Dear father of Karin, Keith, Kim and Kevin, dearest companion of Hilda Mayo, guardian to Stephanie and friend of Michelle. Funeral Service at the Catholic Church, Hills Road, Cambridge, on Wednesday September 15th at 2 pm followed by committal at Newmarket Road Cemetery. Flowers to Co-operative Funeral Services, 34 James Street, Cambridge tel: (0223) 367046. Memorial Service to be announced later.
FACER - On 9th September, peacefully at St Michaels Hospice, Hereford, Colin of Clanfield, Gloucestershire, aged 70 years. Beloved husband of Louise, dear father of Ann and Michael and a much loved grandfather.
FOLKIERSKI - On September 7th, Andrzej, aged 70, Snr Lecturer (Rtd) in Physics and Honorary Research Fellow at Imperial College. Husband of Hanka, father of Tereska and Olenka. Funeral Mass on Thursday 16th September at 11.30 am at St John's Polish RC Church, Putney, SW15. Donations may be sent to the Polonia Aid Foundation Trust, 240 King Street, London W6 ORF, for the benefit of the Polish Library in Paris.
GAUGHAN - Francis (Frank) on September 8th 1993 peacefully in his sleep, aged 65. The much loved husband of Helen, father of Elisabeth and Kate and brother of Mona and Ignatius. Funeral enquiries to A.C. Towner Limited, funeral directors, 2-4 Norman Road, St Leonards-on-Sea, tel: Hastings (0424) 436586.
GRIFFITH - On September 4th, Huw B. Griffith, consultant neurosurgeon, peacefully at home after a long illness, courageously endured. He will be greatly missed by family, colleagues, friends and all those patients who came under his care. Private funeral at 2 pm, Westbury-on-Trym Crematorium, Bristol, on September 10th. An occasion to celebrate his life's work will be arranged in due course. Donations may be sent to the Huw Griffith Foundation c/o Department of Neurosurgery, Frenchay Hospital, Bristol, BS16 1LE.
HAUGE - Olaf Martin, beloved husband of Veronica and father of Kristi Prem, Andrea Babkis and Jackie Mapley, died peacefully at home in Westport, Connecticut, on September 8th.
IZZET - On September 8th 1993, after a long sad illness, Mr Justice Ahmed Izzet. Husband of Gwende and father of Vedia and Halid. Our love and thanks to him always. Funeral to be held at the Parkside Cemetery, Gerrards Cross, at 3.30 pm on Monday September 13th. Enquiries to: Grimstead Ltd., Chalfont St Peter.
LLOYD - (née Andrews) Ellen (Nell) M.H. Devoted mother of David and Deborah and loving grandmother of Victoria, Ben, Mia, Rosie and Felicity, suddenly but peacefully at home on 8th September aged 89. Funeral Service at St Andrew's Church, Hertford, 10 am 14th September. Family flowers only, any donations please to MENCAP.
NIEMAN - Rose Winifred, died peacefully on 9th September 1993 aged 96. Funeral at Willesden Cemetery, 2 pm, Friday 10th September.
PARTON - William (Bill) on 9th September, aged 74. Dearest husband of Joan, loving father of Jill, Roger, Caroline and Kate and beloved grandfather. Funeral at Guildford Crematorium on Friday 17th September at 2.30 pm. Family flowers only please.
PATTULLO - Christian Margaret (Peggy) née Ure, aged 95, Widow of Hugh, mother of Ian, Donald and Joan. On her farm in Zimbabwe, on September 9th. Will be sadly missed by her family and many friends.
PYM - Diana (née Gough) died 9th September, at Hildenborough, Kent, aged 84; wife of John (Jack) of Foxwold, Brasted, Kent, and mother of Jill, Carol and Johnny - after a long campaign against ill-health. Private cremation. Donations, if desired, to Friends of Democracy in Greece, 32 Links View Road, Hampton Hill, Middlesex TW12 1LA.
RUTHERFORD - On 6th September peacefully at St Benedict's Nursing Home, Annette aged 85 (formerly of Hill Cottage, Ridgway Road, Farnham, Surrey). Beloved wife of Crawford, loving mother of Nicholette and Michael and granny to Kate, Lucy, Tess, James and Harry. Service at 2.30 pm Wednesday 15th at St Thomas-on-the-Bourne, Farnham.
SKINNER - On September 9th, peacefully at St Wilfrid's Hospice, Chichester, after a dignified and courageous battle against cancer, Michael Owen, aged 74 years. Devoted husband of Pat, loving and much loved father of David, Hamish, Robin and Sarah. His thirteen grandchildren will miss him greatly. After a private cremation, there will be a service at St Mary's, Funtington, on Wednesday 15th September at 2.30 pm. No flowers please. Donations, if desired, to St Wilfrid's Hospice, Chichester, PO19 2EP. A memorial and thanksgiving service will be held at the Church St Sepulchre without Newgate, Holborn Viaduct, on Tuesday 12th October at 11.30 am.
SOOBY - Barbara (née Eason) on September 6th 1993 aged 78 years. Dear wife of John, mother of Sally and John Junior, died at home in her sleep after a long illness borne with fortitude. Funeral at Mansfield Crematorium at 1.30pm on Friday September 10th. Family flowers only, donations if desired to the Kingsmill Hospice c/o W.S. Ingham and Son Ltd, 11 Poplar Grove, Forest Town, Mansfield, Notts, NG19 0HW, tel: (0623) 21114.
WAREHAM - Edward William aged 8, much loved eldest son of Buffy and Quintin and brother of George, Henry and Thomas, died in his sleep on Tuesday 31st August 1993 while on a family holiday in Devon. Private funeral took place on Thursday 9th September. A Thanksgiving Service will take place on Sunday 24th October 3 pm at St Chad's Church, Lichfield. In memory of Edward, children's books offered at the service will be given to children's hospitals and hospices.
WEAVER - O.B.E. Paul died peacefully at home on 9th September, surrounded by all his family. Requiem Mass on Saturday 11th September at St Etheldreda's, Ely Place, Holborn. Burial on Tuesday 14th in Plymouth. No flowers please.
WILDER - On September 1st, suddenly and peacefully, Frederick Louis (Tim), aged 100 years. Funeral Service at St George's, Hanover Square, on Tuesday September 14th 1993 at 11am, followed by private cremation. Flowers or donations if preferred in favour of Battersea Dogs Home. Flowers to Kenyons, 74 Rochester Row, SW1 (071-834 4624) by 10 am please.

MEMORIAL SERVICES

PATON - A Memorial Service for Stephen Henry will be held in Radley College Chapel on Saturday 18th September at 12 noon followed by a buffet lunch in School.

IN MEMORIAM - PRIVATE

DOSSETT - William George of Banbury. Died 10th September 1943. Remembered with love and gratitude by the family.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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OBITUARIES

LIEUTENANT-COLONEL DUDLEY COVENTRY

Lieutenant-Colonel Dudley Coventry, veteran Special Air Services officer and international clandestine operations specialist, died in Harare on September 6 aged 78, of injuries from an assault. He was born in London on March 26, 1915.



DUDLEY COVENTRY's father tried to exorcise his son's instincts for adventure by enlisting him for a year as a coal trimmer on a tramp steamer when he finished his education at Bryanston School in Dorset. He was sent first to try ticking ledgers for Lloyds Bank and then to study medicine. None of it worked, and the wealthy ex-India police officer eventually disowned his son in 1937, after which the young Dudley fell inexorably into soldiering and joined the Royal Norfolk Regiment (Supplementary Reserve).

Coventry went on to serve in nearly every trouble spot in the British Empire, and beyond, for an almost unbroken 50 years of combat operations. And in 1980, having for the previous 15 years carried out clandestine SAS operations for the Smith regime against the country's black nationalist guerrilla rebels, he was recruited, when the rebels came to power in Zimbabwe, by the country's new leader, Robert Mugabe, to help establish Zimbabwe's first paratroop group and then its own SAS unit.

At 6ft 4ins Dudley Coventry was a substantial figure and in his early days was a British Army heavyweight boxing, shot put and discus champion, as well as being an England rugby trialist who ran the 100 yards in under 11 seconds.

His efficiency in dispatching adversaries — from SS stormtroopers on the Normandy coast to Stern Gang terrorists in Palestine — was counterbalanced by his reputation as a self-effacing gentleman officer who could drink anyone under the table but blushed when men cursed in female company.

A measure of the respect he inspired was evident from the fact that the commander of the Zimbabwe National Army instructed that Coventry should be accorded a *funeral service with full military* honours in Harare. There was no malice in Zimbabwe over his having been the leading counter-insurgency specialist in the Rhodesian security forces during the civil war. Some of the guerrillas he had then conspired to entrap had subsequently become the Zimbabwe army commandos with whom he parachuted into Mozambique in 1987, when he was 72 and commander of the Zimbabwe Special Air Service.

His square-jawed, hard-eyed good looks, deceptively softened by the spectacles he always wore and embellished with a preposterously big ginger handlebar moustache, helped him into numerous shortlived romantic attachments with attractive women, including the actress Ava Gardner.

Edgar Walter Dudley Coventry was commissioned in 1938 after Sandhurst and served tours of duty with the East Lancashire Regiment in Ireland, India's North-West Frontier and Afghanistan before the outbreak of the second world war. By *1942 his aptitude for unconventional* tactics was apparent and he served first in 5 Commando and Parachute Troop and then in the Special Service Raiding Forces. In 1943 he was in a unit which was smuggled on to the French coast to pin down German troops while scientists took soil samples from the beaches in preparation for the D-Day landings.

In the same year Coventry achieved notoriety through an incident in the occupied Channel Isles when a German sentry, captured by his unit, was shot dead, leading to charges from Berlin that British soldiers were executing prisoners.

After the D-Day landings, Coventry, by this time a captain with the Royal Marines 45 Commando, harried retreating German troops behind the lines from commandeered vehicles mounted with Vickers machineguns. David Young, the author of *Four Five*, a history of 45 Commando, recounts how Coventry bumped into a startled SS trainee on the Weser River in Germany and killed him with a single punch to the jaw.

Coventry ended the war with a lieutenant-colonel's field commission but afterwards reverted to being a captain. He rejoined the East Lancashire Regiment in India. His unit was dubbed "the killers of Calcutta" after the shooting of civilians in a mob about to storm their position on a bridge in the city, but he was nevertheless on parade when Lord Mountbatten handed the instruments of independence to Jawarlal Nehru in 1947. He then served in Germany, Cyprus and Palestine with the 1st Parachute Regiment. In 1948 on a training exercise in France he broke his back in a parachuting accident but made an excellent recovery.

During the anti-communist campaign in Malaya in 1955 he was with the SAS 22 Regiment. His remit was to be dropped in the jungle with a *small unit and slowly to cross-grid a* large area in search of insurgents. He emerged at the end weighing 137 lbs.

To avoid a desk job, he then joined the French Foreign Legion serving in Algeria in the bloody but vain effort to put down the independence movement.

By 1960, however, he had rejoined the SAS, and was serving in Central Africa. But a year later he resigned again from the British Army and joined the Rhodesian Light Infantry.

When Ian Smith, the Rhodesian Front leader, made his unilateral declaration of independence in 1965, Coventry helped form an SAS squad*ron of about 120 men which severely* set back the first attempts by black nationalist guerrillas to launch their armed struggle.

In 1970, when he was 55, he transferred from the Rhodesian SAS to the Central Intelligence Organisation as a civilian field officer. But in effect, for the next ten years he was running "S-desk" in the Central Intelligence Organisation, known as "the funnies department," a job demanding an even deeper involvement in the world of subterfuge.

Among the tasks he was involved in was the formation of Renamo, the right-wing guerrilla movement which fought the Frelimo government in Mozambique after independence from Portugal. After running training courses on a farm in eastern Rhodesia, Coventry, by then in his sixties, escorted units on foot through the border minefields into Mozambique.

*Following Zimbabwe's independ*ence in April 1980, Coventry was among hundreds of commandos, assassins, saboteurs and spies flown secretly to South Africa to avoid the feared reprisals from the new black government. He took a dislike to the *South African military, however, and* within hours was back in Salisbury (now Harare). He rejoined the army as a major and in the same year helped establish the Parachute Group and, three years later, the Zimbabwe SAS where he was promoted lieutenant-colonel, the highest substantive rank he reached in his career.

In 1987, Coventry, armed only with a walking stick, was directing the fire of his commandos in the assault against Casa Banana, Mozambique, the headquarters of his former student, Afonso Dhlakama, the head of Renamo. One of his last tasks, later *that year, was to attempt to assassi*nate an anti-government Zimbabwean guerrilla chief in neighbouring Botswana but he aborted the mission when he found he was being tailed by a South African hit-squad.

During his British military service Coventry stuck for years at the rank of major, apparently because of a court martial charge for punching a colonel who pointed a pistol at him in Madagascar in 1942. The former SAS commander David Stirling had stopped the charge from being pressed. The incident is believed to be the reason Coventry never received *any British decorations for valour.* He was, however, awarded two Orders of the Legion of Merit by the Smith government. The Rhodesian civil war probably gave him his most serious injuries: he was shot once in the scrotum in 1960 as he charged guerrillas concealed in the back of a truck near the village of Karoi in the north of the country, and through the knee when he walked into a guerrilla ambush near Deka on the Zambezi river in 1975.

In military retirement, losing sight in one eye and hard of hearing Dudley Coventry was adjusting with difficulty to civilian life as a director of a transport company. He was asleep in his Harare home a month ago when a drunken intruder crushed his skull with the butt of an 1873 Winchester rifle that Coventry had obtained on one of his long marches in Mozambique. He died having been in a coma ever since the *attack.*

He had no children by either of his two marriages, the first of which, to Mickey, ended in amicable divorce and the second, to Frances, in separation.

HANS KUTSCHER

Hans Kutscher, *President, Court of* Justice of the European Communities, 1976-80, died on August 24 aged 81. He was born in Hamburg on December 14, 1911.



THE office of President of the Court of Justice of the European Communities requires a variety of skills not always combined in the same person. He must be lawyer enough to command the respect of his colleagues who come from widely varied backgrounds *but who have elected him as* their head; he must have some ability in the field of public relations since the success of the Court at Luxembourg depends upon its work being understood by the national courts of the member states of the Community: he is also head of a Community institution with the attendant problems of keeping the peace among the multi-lingual, talented and individualistic staff.

In all these tasks Hans Kutscher excelled. His academic credentials were impec*cable. He completed his* studies at the universities of Graz and Freib-im-Brisgau, Berlin, obtaining a doctorate from Königsberg. Always attracted by public service he started his career in the Berlin administration and then in Baden-Würtemberg. In 1951, however, he was recruited by the German foreign office to join the team negotiating the treaties which created the German federal republic. He then became secretary-general of the conciliation committee of the Bundesrat and Bundestag, a pivotal role in the development of Germany's federal structure. His accomplishment was recognised in 1955 by his appointment to the prestigious German federal constitutional court where he served with distinction until *appointed to the Europe Court* in 1970.

There he rapidly gained the affection and respect of his colleagues. Elected to the presidency in 1976 he not only maintained the high standards of his predecessor but made his own individual impression. The use of Christian names became normal and laughter was sometimes to be heard in the judges' private meeting room.

The same talents made him a popular visitor to the member states where he tirelessly explained his belief in a Europe based on a system of law and his conviction that all Community administration should in the last resort be subject to judicial control. It *was fitting that the Middle* Temple made him an honorary Bencher, a distinction which he greatly valued.

During the early months of the second world war Hans Kutscher, who was a reserve officer, was badly wounded in the leg and spent the remainder of the war years in a series of administrative posts. This may have saved his life since some of his former brother officers played a key role in the Stauffenberg attempt on Hitler and paid the penalty. From his army days, however, one great benefit flowed. Hostilities over, he sought out the widow of an army friend who had been sheltering from Allied bombing in cellars with her two children — ironically, since she was half-American. The result was almost fifty *years of a most successful* marriage. His wife Irmgard was herself an exceptionally talented translator from English to German. Together they were able to enjoy more than a decade of retirement in their home in the Black Forest.

JOHN BATTEN

John Batten, silent film actor, died in Colchester on August 10 aged 90. He was born in Rotorua, New Zealand, on April 3, 1903.



A scene from *The Chorus Kid* (1928) with John Batten standing on the far right. Sheldon Lewis and Hedda Hopper (later the Hollywood columnist) sitting

WHEN D. W. Griffith directed the very young John Batten reading a letter containing bad news, Batten thought he had failed miserably. Griffith disagreed. He put his arm around the young actor and indicated the avenue outside saying: "I can get any good-looking young man to *look* right in this part; but they must *feel* it also." Batten also worked for Cecil B. De Mille and William Fox.

Educated at King's College, Auckland, Batten worked in his father's dental surgery and acted in local theatrical productions before leaving New Zealand for England at the age of 16. He broke his journey in San Francisco and, to earn money for his dental studies, took to the stage, appearing in Booth Tarkington's one-act *Ghost Story* at the Los Angeles Writers' Club. It was his good luck that the film producers D. W. Griffith, Cecil B. De Mille and William Fox happened to see the production and Batten was immediately hired to play the juvenile lead in *Robinson Crusoe*, a top Fox film of 1928.

That year was a good one for Batten, and he went on to make *The Chorus Kid*, *Back Stage* and *Her Great Ambition*. He also appeared in *The Battle of the Sexes* for D. W. Griffith and *The Godless Girl* for De Mille.

In 1929 an offer came from John Maxwell, the humourless Glasgow solicitor, then head of British International Pictures at Elstree. It was to star with Margaret Allen in a *Dorothy Quentin adaptation* of Thomas Hardy's *Under the Greenwood Tree*.

This was to be the first all-talkie production in the revamped Elstree studios, and was directed by the extrovert American Harry Lachman. In those days the camera was not "blimped" (soundproofed) and the cinematographer Claude Friese-Green, son of the inventor, and two others were packed into a glass booth in order not to disturb the actors. Alfred Hitchcock was seen lurking at the back of the set as shooting began. He was at that time making *Blackmail*, originally shot as a silent film and later remade with sound, and wanted to see how it was done. The sound version of *Blackmail* was released just before Batten's film, and hence won the accolade of first British talkie.

In 1930 Batten went to Berlin where he starred in *Liebeswalzer* (Love Waltz) opposite Lillian Harvey. Harvey played a princess in love with the son of an American millionaire. Made in the UFA Babelsberg studios, versions of this Erich Pommer production were released in several languages.

But John Batten's finest role was in the realistic submarine film, *Men Like These* (1932), in which he played a youth overcoming his natural fear of death. The part involved being submerged under water for hours in Portsmouth Harbour, during which time Batten contracted pneumonia and had to return to New Zealand to convalesce. After making *The Wonderful Story* and a football film, *The Great Game*, for Warners, Batten decided to retire from films at the age of 26.

He later acted in stage and *television productions in* London, New York Paris and Berlin before returning to New Zealand, where he became a commercial radio announcer. He interrupted his war service as a dental technician in the Royal New Zealand Navy to star in Michael Balcons's *For Those In Peril* about RAF Air Sea Rescue. He left New Zealand radio in 1949 to act in Australian radio drama but later returned to New Zealand.

In choosing Colchester to settle for the remaining 24 *years of his life Batten guaran*teed himself anonymity and peace of mind. A dapper figure with the same broad smile always on his face, he enjoyed walking, health-food and good company.

His last film role, at the age of 90, was as H. G. Wells for the independent film producer Ian Partridge.

In 1932 John Batten married Madeline Murat, a novelist writing under the name of Martin Tree, but the marriage was later dissolved. He is survived by their daughter.

COLIN DOLLIMORE

Colin Dollimore, architect, died in London of a heart attack on August 18 aged 61. He was born in Luton on August 6, 1932.

COLIN DOLLIMORE was a faithful follower of modern architecture. He held the belief that humble buildings should be done properly, seeing his work as much in terms of social fulfilment as aesthetic value: a small residential scheme, for example, was no less important to him than the design of some enormous hotel.

Colin Charles Dollimore *was born in Luton and educat*ed at the secondary modern school there, before going on to the Luton Technical College when he was 15. He studied architecture at the Regent Street Polytechnic, as it was then, and after qualifying worked first for Trevor Dannatt and Partners in the early 1960s, and then, in the mid-1960s, for Arup Associates, the architectural wing of the engineering firm. It was at Arup's that he began to gain a wider knowledge of sophisticated building techniques, particularly in connection with the Snape Concert Hall at the Snape Maltings, Suffolk.

This memorable structure, converted from the old maltings for Benjamin Britten and Peter Pears, and in the view of many Arup's best work, was a perfect collaboration of architecture and engineering, a partnership between its designer, Colin Dollimore, and its engineer and acoustic expert, Derek Sugden: the beginning and end of one or other's part in the design is imperceptible. In fact, set as it is in a group of maltings and in a landscape of water, bridges and other things, this building, with its red Suffolk brick, precision-made detail of slate, roof ventilators and wooden surfaces, so exactly depicts the character of the place that it is difficult not to recall the brewing of beer: you can almost smell it.

When Trevor Dannatt won an international competition for a conference centre and hotel in Riyadh, the Saudi Arabian capital, Dollimore rejoined him in the late 1960s to work on the hotel, becoming *a partner in 1972. This marked* the beginning of a long and close association that led on to extensive new British embassy buildings and housing out there, numerous additions to the Thames Polytechnic (now the University of Greenwich) which included Dollimore's conversion into a library of the remarkable Great Hall, a science block for Colet Court, housing near East Grinstead and, most recently, work at Kew Gardens. For a life cut suddenly short, Dollimore accomplished a good deal, and of great quality.

In addition, he was a regular visiting tutor at Washington University in St Louis, teaching what he practised — that an architectural solution is derived from within a problem, not imposed upon it, (a reason why he was strongly anti Post-Modernist and Neo-Classicist fashions).

He is survived by his daughter and two sons from his first marriage, and by his second wife, Anne Judy, whom he married earlier this year.

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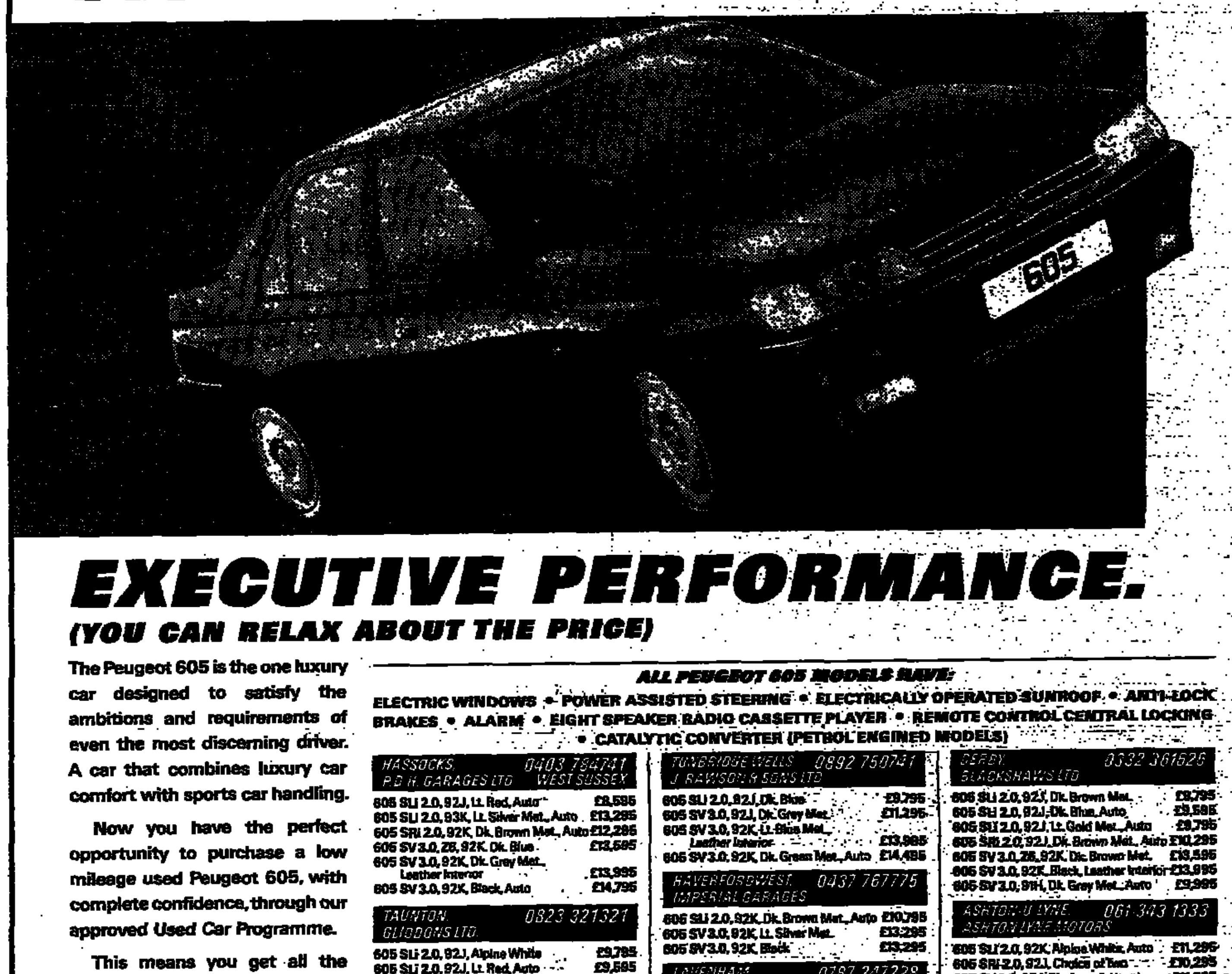
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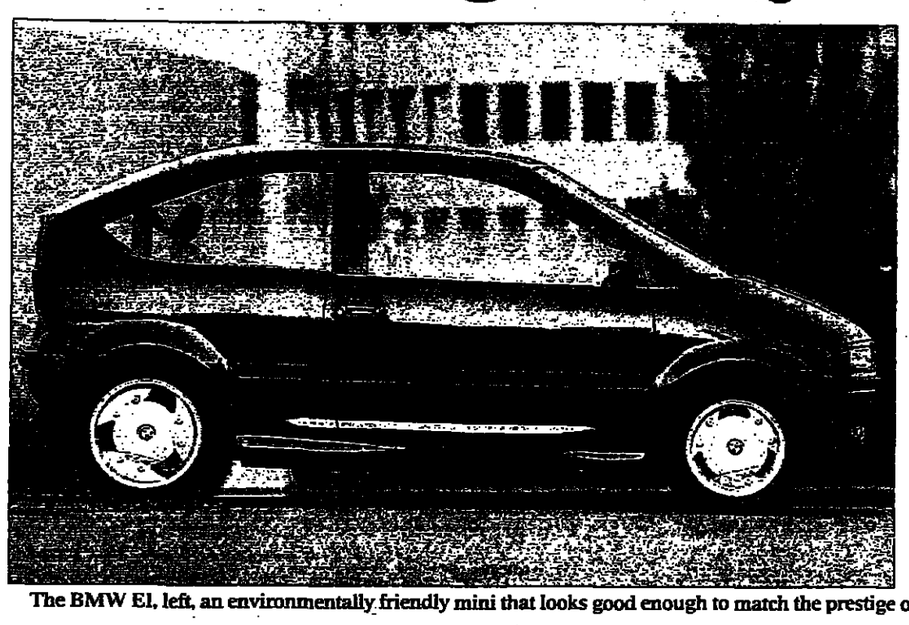
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MOTORING

Achtung, baby cars are big news





The BMW E1, left, an environmentally friendly mini that looks good enough to match the prestige of its big sisters. Right, Mercedes-Benz's Vision A93, an unexpected addition to the company's range

The German motor industry is having to redefine its market as smart, sporty BMWs and big, expensive Mercedes fall from favour. Kevin Eason reports from the Frankfurt Motor Show on the rise of the prestige mini

For a moment, it seemed as though the exhibition organisers had allocated everyone the wrong stands. The Frankfurt Motor Show, the temple for the mighty German motor industry, had attracted the usual throng of excited journalists and motor industry watchers, but something was amiss.

The Germans, for years paragons of everything good in the motor business, were looking glum as they surveyed their stands. The industry is suffering a domestic sales slump of more than 20 per cent and producing balance sheets that read like horror stories.

In contrast, the British — the ones everyone used to giggle at behind their hands because they bumped from recession to recession with their poky, badly built and boring cars — were grinning from ear to ear. Rover, Jaguar and Rolls-Royce are all enjoying accelerating sales, against the European trend, while the Germans are axing jobs and assembly lines.

Then there were the new cars to see: big cars from the Japanese, once the innovative makers of cheap and cheerful city models, and small cars from the Germans.

Small cars from Mercedes-Benz and BMW? Indeed. The Germans, known for veritable tanks of limousines, such as the Mercedes S-class, and for chic, sporty BMWs, no longer see such models as part of their future. Big is not beautiful any more and buyers want commuter cars that are small, economic and environmentally more friendly, yet which still have comfort and prestige.

Recession has concentrated the minds of buyers and manufacturers alike wonderfully. Huge, expensive cars are little use when nobody can afford them or the increasingly expensive fuel needed to keep them going. Just ask Mercedes-Benz executives — they have seen company sales drop by a quarter this year. The Vision A93, unveiled by the company at Frankfurt this week, is no mere concept vehicle but the basis for a car already pencilled in by Mercedes for launch in about three years.

At the other side of the exhibition, BMW was showing off its E1, a mini which, despite its size, looks good enough to match the "street cred" of its bigger sisters.

The Vision A93 was a revelation simply because it was so unexpected from a company such as Mercedes-Benz. The company's image, the name is synonymous with big powerful saloons, is something that worries executives at its Stuttgart headquarters. They know that Mercedes cannot go confidently into the future with a range of models that starts with cars considered big by most standards. Rightly, they believe that the concentration on large saloons is divorcing the business from an important and growing market for models built specifically for urban use.

The Vision is the first sign that the thinking caps are on and that Mercedes will be able to build a car the size of a Ford Fiesta but with all the cachet of a limousine. It may be less than 11 ft long but it has five doors and offers passenger space and comfort that compares with the new C-class mid-range saloons due in Britain soon.

The extra leg-room comes from locating the tiny three-cylinder diesel engine not in the traditional bonnet space but underneath the passenger cabin. Mercedes has opted for a diesel engine for fuel economy. Consumption could be up to 72.5 mpg around town. A three-cylinder petrol engine that would return 57mpg on average is another possibility being considered.

Mercedes says that exhaust pollution is so low from both engines that the car could qualify as an "ultra-low emmissions vehicle" under the stiff California regulations in America, which have long been exercising motor company planners throughout the world.

The company has planned still further ahead by outlining proposals for an electric version powered by a 40-kilowatt motor which allows a range of 93 miles between charges in city and motorway driving. Interior features include air-conditioning that uses waste heat from the cooling circuit of the electronics for power, and also a unit containing crystals that absorb humid air to prevent windows misting up.

This is no paper exercise but a car that could bring the future into showrooms before the end of this decade. Jurgen Hubbert, who is responsible for Mercedes' passenger car division, says: "Vision A93 will influence the development of a future Mercedes A-class, which has a market launch planned for the second half of the 1990s."

Designers at BMW, the company in the best shape of all the German manufacturers, are all of a-quiver over the exciting possibilities of the small car. The E1, British officials say, could offer the environmental friendliness of a milk float combined with the nimbleness of Sally Gunnell.

There is a choice of engines, from a 32kW/45bhp battery, which would give a range of about 165 miles per charge, or a 60kW/81bhp petrol engine which could propel the E1 to a top speed of 109mph. Or both engines could be combined; petrol power from BMW's K1100 motorcycle engine for long-range cruising — and batteries for clean, silent town travel.

Body panels are made from aluminium and recyclable plastic to keep down weight so that performance can go up. The petrol version weighs just 800 kilograms, about half the weight of BMW's executive 7-series model.

The beauty of both cars is that they could be made now. They are not the result of a theoretical exercise to show off the drawing board skills of designers but working cars that could be in showrooms by the middle of the decade. If recession, unpleasant as it is, has pushed the car makers into this sort of revolutionary thinking, it may have been worth all the pain.

The hype behind the headlines

Counting the cost of competition

While the motor industry on the Continent is still in the middle of a slump, car sales in the United Kingdom have taken off. At least, we think they have taken off.

August sales jumped by almost 18 per cent, but there are still some furrowed brows in the motor industry this week because nobody knows how much the fierce competition has cost the industry.

Some analysts says that marketing costs soared to £100 million — or £227 for every car sold last month. If manufacturers were also discounting furiously, the seemingly strong August result may have been a temporary aberration.

There is no doubt that importers are throwing themselves at the British marketplace — no wonder, when sales on the Continent are down by a fifth this year. But the British have fought back and there has been encouraging news.

Take Toyota. A year ago it sold 10,141 cars in Britain in August; this year the figure is 14,048 but, for the first time, 2,087 cars came from its factory at Burnaston, in Derbyshire. The same was true for Honda, whose sales rose from 6,926 to 7,188. Sales of cars it made in Britain were up to 1,982.

At Nissan, the number of cars made at Washington, Tyne & Wear, sold in August jumped from just 4,916 to 15,357 out of a total Nissan sale just short of 24,000.

The big players in August, however, were the French. Between them, Peugeot, Citroën and Renault took nearly 20 per cent of the British market.

Among the losers was the VW-Audi group, whose market share slipped from 5.1 per cent to 4.3 per cent.

Will le Volvo satisfy the sceptics?

A lifestyle hangs in the balance

So farewell Wolwo, bonjour le Volvo. Claret glasses trembled in *manicured hands all over* Britain as the news sunk in. Volvo, the Swedish company whose estate-car version virtually invented a lifestyle — a couple, beaming children, two labradors and, sometimes, bicycles on a rack hanging over the rear window — has been taken over by Renault, the state-owned French manufacturer.

Renault may protest that it will not change the car that is the symbol of all that is safe and long-lasting, *but it just* will not feel the same to its British fans. *David Altheer writes.*

My first Volvo, a 245DL estate I bought in 1976, is vivid in the memory now. It was coloured green — wellie-boot green — and even its name was somehow reassuring: 2 was the engine series number, 4 the number of cylinders and 5 the doors, including tailgate.

OK, the "DL" was a bit of hype — that stood for de luxe — but Volvo badging was always uncharacteristically crass. On my 245DL, I think the word "Volvo" appeared 13 times — presumably, just in case you forgot what kind of car you were driving.

My next Volvo estate was called simply the 240, which was comparatively and fashionably meaningless, and should have given me early warning that Volvo was flirting with progress rather than resolutely ploughing its own furrow. But my wife and I needn't have worried. Though the model was three years younger than our first Volvo, the only new feature we could spot was square rather than round headlights. New for Volvo, that is — I think Studebaker, the American car, had them in the 1950s.

Oh, and the headlights had wipers and demisters. A note in the owner's manual said, if I recall rightly, that this feature was available only outside Scandinavia. Presumably, there was more snow to mist up headlights in Britain.

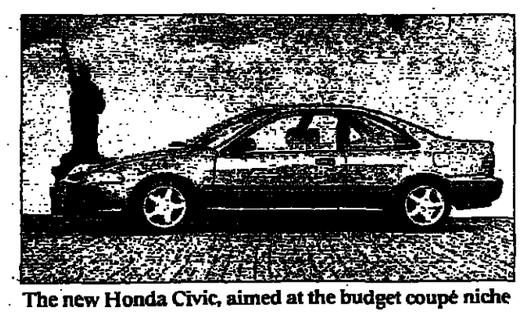
Did we mind that the car lacked state-of-the-art technology? Certainly not: we felt secure when we crawled along the motorways at 60mph on holiday with two alsatians and enough camping gear in the back to start our own scout troop. And if we wanted an overnight stay in a Cotswold hotel, the name Volvo meant something when it came to getting the best spot in the residents' car park.

What will happen when Renault starts making more than engines for Volvos? Will the cars be given the kind of "innovations" the French have always been fond of, like headlights that swivel around corners?

As "greenies", we'll be pleased if the French try to improve the Volvo's fuel economy. But tinker with much else and they'll be sorry.

Honda wants big Civic reception

A Japanese coupé, made in America, aims to corner the British market



The new Honda Civic, aimed at the budget coupé niche

The latest Honda is destined to capture British hearts. But this one is not made in Japan or Britain, but in America. *Kevin Eason writes.*

Honda announced this week that its Civic coupé will be aimed at a new niche for a budget - two-door with prices starting at about £10,000. The car will be unveiled to British *buyers at next month's* London Motor Show at Earl's Court and will go on sale early next year.

The Civic coupé will return to a breed of car which has all but disappeared over the past few years with the demise of models such as the Ford Capri and Volkswagen Scirocco. Honda believes that there is a vacuum in the market. The new car is ready to fill that gap.

It is the third model to come from the company's plants in America, which already export to Britain the Accord coupé and Aerodeck versions. Designed in California and built in Ohio, the 1.5-litre, four-cylinder, 16-valve Civic's performance will challenge models such as Mazda's MX-3, the Vauxhall Calibra and Nissan 100NX. The Civic has a top speed of 118mph and a 0-60 acceleration time of 9.8sec.

Clio on the coast

THE Renault Clio has been chosen as the car for more than 50 *rapid-response* officers in the Coastguard service. The 1.9-litre Clio RL Prima diesels have been supplied on a two-year leasing contract and are painted in blue with the Coastguard livery.

☐ AFTER Lotus, Lamborghini could be the next sports car company up for sale. Reports from Italy and America say that Chrysler is ready to sell the Italian marque, having owned it for six years and invested $40 million (£26.6 million). The sale is likely to be to a private consortium.

ROADWISE

☐ VAUXHALL is introducing an automatic version to complete its Corsa small-car range. Four models will be on offer from the Merit 1.4i at £7,605 to the £9,585 1.4i GLS five-door which comes with power steering. Top speed is 91mph and acceleration time from 0 to 60mph is 17 seconds.

☐ LAND ROVER is also introducing new automatic transmission models to its Discovery range. The company, which started a night shift this week to increase production from 700 to 900 vehicles a week, is also replacing the 3.5-litre V8 Discovery engine with the newer and more powerful 3.9-litre used in the Range Rover. An automatic gearbox is a £1,150 option in both petrol and diesel versions.

☐ YOU bought the car, now see the film. A new series of videos promises to capture scenes from the so-called "golden age" of motoring, with film of famous names such as Austin, Morris, Riley, Wolseley, Triumph and Rover. There are 22 films in all, at £14.99 each, with, the advertising claims, "nostalgia, thrills and triumph", bringing back the age when "roads were empty and motoring was exciting, risky and fun".



☐ MITSUBISHI has made a million Shoguns, one of the most popular of four-wheel-drive vehicles on the market. Exports to Britain started in 1983 and the vehicle has remained a firm favourite ever since. Sales of the Shogun have, however, been restricted in Britain by import quotes on Japanese products. As a result, *3,700 were sold here last* year, accounting for 10 per cent of the 4x4 market.

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■ Israel and the Palestine Liberation Organisation have set the stage for an end to 45 years of conflict, including five wars and tens of thousands of casualties, when they agreed to recognise each other's legitimacy.

The agreement opened the way for the formal signing of an historic peace deal on Monday ..... **Pages 1, 10, 16, 17**

Clarke crushes right on spending

■ Kenneth Clarke, the Chancellor, crushed right-wing demands for an even tougher crackdown on public spending after an unprecedented warning to the cabinet to unite or face the electoral consequences. The message was a clear rebuke to ministers such as John Redwood and Peter Lilley who have been identified in recent weeks with a campaign against tax rises in the Budget ..... **Pages 1, 2, 6, 16, 17**

Speedy chess

A flurry of rapid moves enabled both Nigel Short and Garry Kasparov narrowly to beat the clock after the first 40 moves in the second game of *The Times* World Chess Championship. Short finished his 40th move with just under a minute of time left. Kasparov made his with even less time available..... **Pages 1, 8**

Smear test enquiry

An enquiry has found a husband and wife medical team at a large Scottish hospital to be largely responsible for a catalogue of mistakes which required the recall of 20,000 women for cervical smear retesting ..... **Page 1**

Police redundancies

Up to 464 of Scotland Yard's most senior officers face early retirement under the largest redundancy package proposed by a British police force. Paul Condon, the Metropolitan commissioner, said the redundancies could save £20 million a year..... **Page 2**

Attack on teenager

A Bangladeshi student was fighting for his life after a gang of whites attacked him in London's East End. The Police Federation warned of a backlash by ethnic minorities as a result of the assault on Quaddus Ali ... **Page 3**

Student suicide

Lei Don Lau, 22, a history undergraduate at Oxford University, was unable to cope with the pressure of final examinations and killed himself with an overdose, an inquest was told ..... **Page 4**

Back in the TUC

Rebel electricians will return to the TUC in spite of a dispute over the terms of their readmission. At the TUC in Brighton, some unions tried unsuccessfully to delay the move because of alleged "poaching" of members by electricians..... **Page 7**

South African fears

The euphoria over the prospect of a transitional executive council taking over the government of South Africa has given way to speculation about the difficulties the council will face after this week's massacre of commuters..... **Page 9**

Clinton challenge

The Clinton administration begins its second stage with the president ready to focus his energies on some of the most ambitious domestic legislation since Roosevelt's "New Deal". His major challenge is reforming health care ..... **Page 11**

Yeltsin seizes dacha

President Yeltsin continued his clampdown on the perks of political enemies by seizing the country residence of Valeri Zorkin, the chairman of the Russian constitutional court..... **Page 12**

Hurd broadside

Douglas Hurd, the foreign secretary, has accused the media of distorting foreign policy-making by focusing attention on conflicts such as Bosnia at the expense of less accessible tragedies just as harrowing such as Sudan and Liberia ..... **Page 13**

Robbers make off with coin mountain

■ Police said they were looking for people standing in front of one-armed bandits for hours after an armed gang drove off with a Royal Mint lorry containing £300,000 — in 10p coins. The lorry, taking the coins from the mint in Mid Glamorgan to a branch of Barclays in London, was robbed when one of the gang posed as a bank employee..... **Page 3**



Bernard Tapie, president of Olympique Marseille, waiting yesterday for the Swiss court decision which ordered Uefa to readmit the suspended football club to the European Cup immediately pending a further hearing. Report, page 44

BUSINESS

Economy: European interest rates fell yesterday after a cut by the Bundesbank. British rates remained unchanged but many economists believe that the Chancellor's scope for a reduction has increased ..... **Page 23**

Babcock: Cost over-runs on a Drax Power Station contract will bring a loss at Babcock, the engineering group, in the latest half year and will mean no interim dividend is paid..... **Page 23**

Markets: The FT-SE 100 Index fell 4.2 to 3,031.2. Sterling's trade-weighted index remained unchanged at 81.6 after a rise from $1.5405 to $1.5522 but a fall from DM2.4907 to DM2.4820 ... **Page 26**

SPORT

Football: Manager Graham Taylor assesses the pitfalls of England's next World Cup encounter — away to Holland — which will almost certainly decide who goes to the finals..... **Page 44**

Cricket: Viv Richards, the former West Indian captain who plays for Glamorgan, has changed his mind about retiring at the end of this season and is looking for a new county ..... **Page 42**

Ice skating: Jayne Torvill and Christopher Dean have promised to bring yet another dimension to the sport they revolutionised a decade ago. They plan an Olympic comeback in Lillehammer in February..... **Page 44**

FEATURES

Death of a daughter: Libby Purves talks to a still-grieving family about a salutary case of professional bungling..... **Page 15**

Show-off: "I found television easy. I quite enjoy playing games and showing off." Bamber Gascoigne talks to Valerie Grove ..... **Page 14**

LEADERS

Baby boom: The German motor industry is having to redefine its market ..... **Page 21**

INSIDE TODAY

Information technology: News and jobs..... **Pages 32, 33**

Masterpieces revealed: One of the world's finest art collections, the Barnes Collection of Philadelphia, is being shown in Europe for the first, and possibly last, time. But British art-lovers must go to Paris to see it; the Royal Academy in London could not raise the huge sum for the loan of the paintings..... **Page 35**

Rock on Friday: Nirvana, the kings of grunge, have a new album out, and Prince makes a brief stopover in London..... **Page 37**

Vesta reincarnate: A new musical, *Bertie*, recreates the life of the music-hall male impersonator Vesta Tilley. Anita Harris plays the title role..... **Page 36**

PEOPLE IN THE NEWS



Gordon Brand Jnr shot a seven under par 65 to lead after the opening day of the £600,000 GA European Open at East Sussex National **Page 39**



Clare Findlay, who helped 41 Bosnians find a haven in Northern Scotland. She had to fight the Home Office to secure some entry permits **Page 5**



Constantine Mitsotakis, the Greek prime minister, called a snap election after a rival conservative syphoned off his majority **Page 12**

THE TIMES TOMORROW

Search for cook of the year

■ Stand by your sieves as Frances Bissell launches a new competition, in conjunction with Baron Philippe de Rothschild, to find Britain's best amateur cook

Creating a tropical illusion

■ Leading gardener Christopher Lloyd explains why he uprooted his Lutyens rose garden to create a tropical illusion with luscious foliage

Ashkenazy for the asking

■ Vladimir Ashkenazy is *The Times*'s CD Direct choice for September. Richard Morrison introduces four superb recordings at a specially reduced price

A behind-the-scenes view of last year's New Hampshire presidential primaries is offered by *Feed* (BBC2, 11.55pm)..... **Page 43**

Out of the desert

The struggle between two peoples over a land which is cradle to the world's three great monotheistic religions may now end in the brotherhood and reconciliation that is the central message of Christianity, Judaism and Islam..... **Page 17**

Storm in a cabinet

John Major's ministers have crippled themselves repeatedly with self-inflicted wounds. With the summer holidays now over, it seems to be Kenneth Clarke's turn to shoot at his own feet and those of his colleagues..... **Page 17**

Nursery lessons

It is almost unheard-of to find a policy that improves people's lives, boosts the economy and actually brings money into the Treasury. But that is what could happen if the government were to subsidise childcare, allowing more women to go out to work..... **Page 17**

BERNARD LEVIN

Is it too fanciful to believe, or even to begin to believe, that not only will South Africa become a truly civilised nation, in which colour will cease entirely to be an index of a citizen's quality, but that at the same time the nature of the Middle East could be utterly transformed?..... **Page 16**

THOMAS STUTTAFORD

It would not be surprising if the residents of Birmingham were beginning to lose faith in their doctors..... **Page 16**

Why do girls perform better in GCSE examinations than boys?..... **Page 17**

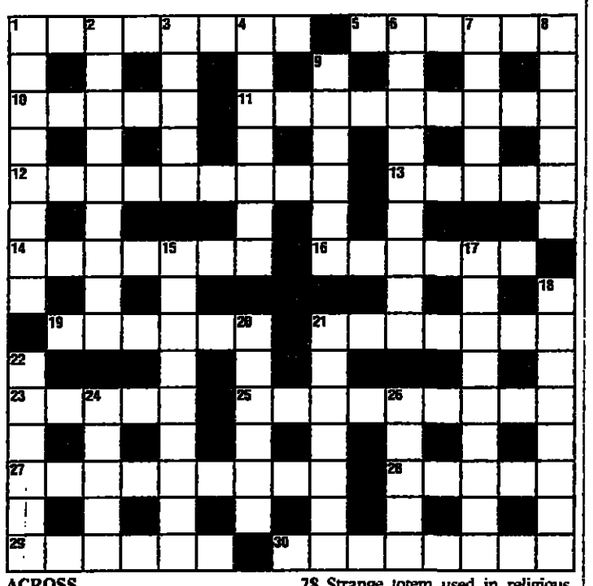
South Africa now needs not just American sympathy but trade and investments to revive a stagnant private sector. This extraordinary drama is still in its first act

— The New York Times

Democracy in the Philippines remains narrowly based in an oligarchic elite. And severe human rights problems persist. Still, burying Ferdinand Marcos puts at least a symbolic end to a macabre and sordid past

— The New York Times

THE TIMES CROSSWORD NO 19,332



ACROSS

1 What 24 did after 'e armed (8).
5 Foreign currency fell a lot (6).
10 Enchanting woman left out of group (5).
11 Just like the original child, he holds instrument the wrong way (2,3,4).
12 Lamenting changed way of dressing (9).
13 Cut some steps, by the sound of it (5).
14 Face formidable, unreturnable serve (7).
16 Change to spades — 10, perhaps (6).
19 Criticises batting performances (6).
21 Song and dance over interruption to last stages of bill, you say (7).
23 Officer about to leave the island (5).
25 Where to find gas, generally (2,3,4).
27 Do you want a go? Willingly! (4,1,4).

Solution to Puzzle No 19,331

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28 Strange totem used in religious observance (5).
29 Seat of power brought down, we hear (6).
30 Arcane and mysterious coteries (8).

DOWN

1 Out of money? Indulge in barter (8).
2 A national of this country, a Persian, lowering his head (9).
3 Groom about to enter animal's enclosure (5).
4 It's not new, following soldiers, going to great lengths (7).
6 People moving on account of incendiary device (9).
7 Some are surprised if you improve (5).
8 Mellors the cricketer (6).
9 The condition of carvings out east (6).
15 Settle sectarian differences (9).
17 Part of a letter (9).
18 Soporific advertising twice curtailed (8).
20 Not much money in prospect (6).
21 'To let' is unusual figure of speech (7).
22 An ass beginning to trust lucky charm (6).
24 Nothing follows jack, king, queen and another card (5).
26 Insect encountered after a short distance (5).

The clue to 21 across yesterday should have read:
The sort of energy that makes cattle twitch (7).

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WEATHER

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ABROAD

MIDDAY: t=thunder; d=drizzle; lg=log; s=sun; sl=sleet; sn=snow; f=fair; c=cloud; r=rain

	C	F			C	F	
Ajaccio	21	70	r	Malaga	27	81	s
Alicante	28	82	s	Malta	31	88	s
Alex'dria	27	81	s	Malt'rme	31	88	f
Algiers	27	81	s	Miami*	27	81	t
Amst'dm	19	66	f	Milan	18	64	d
Athens	29	84	s	Montreal*	20	68	f
Bahrain	33	91	s	Moscow	10	50	f
Bangkok	30	86	c	Munich	24	75	s
Barbados*	31	88	s	Nairobi	28	79	f
Barcelona	27	81	s	Naples	30	86	s
Beirut	28	82	f	N Delhi	29	77	r
Belgrade	31	88	s	N York*	19	66	r
Berlin	23	73	f	Nice	19	66	r
Biarritz	23	73	f	Oslo	16	61	s
Borde'x	22	72	c	Paris	19	66	s
Brussels	21	70	f	Peking	26	79	s
Budapst	27	81	s	Perth	19	66	s
B Aires*	3	37	s	Prague	24	75	s
Cairo	29	84	s	Reykjavik	10	50	r
Cape Tn	17	63	s	Rhodes	28	82	s
Chicago*	22	72	s	Rio de J	28	79	f
Ch'church	12	54	s	Riyadh	38	100	s
Cologne	19	66	f	Rome	28	82	f
C'penhgn	13	55	r	Salzburg	23	73	f
Corfu	28	82	s	S F'isco*	21	70	s
Dublin	15	59	c	Santiago*	17	63	s
Dubrovnik	28	82	s	S Paulo*	23	73	c
Faro	24	75	s	Seoul	27	81	f
Florence	23	73	r	Sing'por	31	88	t
Frankfurt	16	61	c	St'holm	15	59	s
Funchal	22	72	c	Strasb'rg	16	59	r
Geneva	15	59	t	Sydney	14	57	r
Gibraltar	27	81	s	Tangier	23	73	c
Helsinki	12	54	f	Tel Aviv	30	86	s
Innsbruck	23	73	f	Tenerife	26	79	o
Istanbul	25	77	s	Tokyo	21	70	r
Jeddah	35	95	s	Toronto*	21	70	f
Jo'burg*	25	77	s	Tunis	39	100	f
L Palmas	24	75	c	Valencia	29	84	f
Le Touet	16	61	f	Vanc'ver*	21	70	s
Lisbon	23	73	f	Venice	21	70	f
Locarno	17	63	d	Vienna	26	79	s
L Angels*	25	77	s	Warsaw	19	66	f
Luxembg	16	61	r	Wash'ton*	24	75	c
Luxor	34	93	s	Wel'ngton	11	52	c
Madrid	23	73	f	Zurich	18	64	f
Majorca	26	78	f				

* denotes figures are latest available

LONDON

Yesterday: Temp: max 6am to 6pm, 19C (66F); min 6pm to 6am, 15C (59F). Humidity: 6pm, 60 per cent. Rain: 24hr to 6pm, 0.13in. Sun: 24hr to 6pm, 6.0hr. Bar, mean sea level, 6pm, 997.7 millibars, falling 1,000 millibars=29.53in.

HIGHEST & LOWEST

Wednesday: Highest day temp: Heathrow Airport, London 21C (70F); lowest day max: Inverbervie, near Aberdeen 11C (52F); highest rainfall: Littlehampton, E. Sussex 1.22in; highest sunshine: Stornoway, Hebrides, and Guernsey 8.2hr.

MANCHESTER

Yesterday: Temp: max 6am to 6pm, 19C (66F): min 6pm to 6am, 15C (59F). Rain: 24hr to 6pm, 0.03in. Sun: 24hr to 6pm, 0.3hr.

GLASGOW

Yesterday: Temp: max 6am to 6pm, 19C (66F): min 6pm to 6am, 12C (54F). Rain: 24hr to 6pm, 0.02in. Sun: 24hr to 6pm, 4.0hr.

AROUND BRITAIN

	Sun hrs	Rain in	Max C	Max F	
Aberdeen	0.2	-	12	54	cloudy
Anglesey	3.7	0.18	19	66	rain
Aviemore	3.0	-	12	54	bright
Belfast	-	0.63	14	57	rain
Birmingham	2.0	0.61	19	66	thundr
Bognor Regis	7.2	0.80	21	70	shower
Bournemouth	5.3	0.40	21	70	shower
Bristol	2.5	0.35	20	68	shower
Buxton	0.1	0.83	15	59	rain
Cardiff	2.5	0.17	20	68	shower
Clacton	1.4	0.20	18	64	cloudy
Eastbourne	4.0	0.54	19	66	bright
Edinburgh	-	0.17	13	55	rain
Exmouth	0.4	0.22	18	64	shower
Falmouth	0.2	0.53	17	63	cloudy
Folkestone	3.1	0.16	19	66	bright
Glasgow	-	0.03	13	55	rain
Guernsey	8.2	0.39	21	70	sunny
Hastings	3.9	0.34	19	66	bright
Hunstanton	0.9	0.05	21	70	cloudy
Isle of Man	0.2	0.66	17	63	cloudy
Jersey	7.1	0.60	21	70	shower
Kinloss	1.0	0.01	13	55	cloudy
Leeds	-	1.16	17	63	thundr
Lerwick	3.7	-	12	54	cloudy
Littlehampton	5.1	1.22	20	68	shower
Liverpool	2.0	0.36	19	66	shower
London	2.4	0.26	21	70	shower
Lowestoft	3.7	0.08	19	66	drizzle
Manchester	1.2	0.11	20	68	shower
Margate	4.8	0.39	21	70	bright
Morecambe	0.8	0.07	19	66	shower
Newcastle	-	0.36	13	55	dull
Newquay	1.2	0.58	18	64	rain
Nottingham	0.2	0.24	18	64	thundr
Penzance	-	0.85	19	66	rain
Plymouth	0.5	0.51	17	63	shower
Poole	5.7	0.95	21	70	bright
Salcombe	0.4	0.50	17	63	cloudy
Sandown	7.3	0.60	21	70	sunny
Scarborough	-	0.03	13	55	fog
Scilly Isles	3.3	0.78	18	64	shower
Shanklin	4.5	0.77	20	68	shower
Southend	1.7	0.17	20	68	cloudy
Stornoway	8.2	-	15	59	sunny
Swanage	4.9	0.76	19	66	shower
Teignmouth	0.5	0.50	18	64	shower
Tenby	-	0.15	18	64	cloudy
Tiree	2.9	-	15	59	cloudy
Torquay	2.5	0.63	18	64	cloudy
Weymouth	4.9	0.61	19	66	shower
Wick	1.7	-	13	55	cloudy

These are Wednesday's figures

TOURIST RATES

	Bank Buys	Bank Sells
Australia $	2.41	2.21
Austria Sch	18.02	17.02
Belgium Fr	57.03	52.63
Canada $	2.1425	1.9825
Cyprus Cnt£	0.783	0.733
Denmark Kr	10.85	10.05
Finland Mkk	9.405	8.805
France Fr	9.21	8.51
Germany Dm	2.633	2.423
Greece Dr	364.00	339.00
Hong Kong $	12.44	11.44
Ireland Pt	1.113	1.033
Italy Lire	2495.00	2340.00
Japan Yen	173.50	160.00
Netherlands Gld	2.85	2.72
Norway Kr	11.42	10.62
Portugal Esc	264.50	246.00
South Africa Rd	5.85	4.95
Spain Pta	208.00	194.00
Sweden Kr	12.75	11.95
Switzerland Fr	2.31	2.13
Turkey Lira	18500.00	17308.00
USA $	1.6375	1.5075

Rates for small denomination bank notes only as supplied by Barclays Bank PLC. Different rates apply to travellers' cheques. Rates as at close of trading yesterday.





London 7.57 pm to 5.57 am
Bristol 8.08 pm to 6.07 am
Edinburgh 8.14 pm to 6.05 am
Manchester 8.07 pm to 6.04 am
Penzance 8.17 pm to 6.20 am

Sun rises: 6.27 am — Sun sets: 7.27 pm
Moon sets: 5.54 pm — Moon rises: —

New moon September 16.

Road Vehicles Lighting Regulations 1989: The hours of darkness are defined in these Regulations as the period between half an hour after sunset and half an hour before sunrise.

Temperatures at midday yesterday: c, cloud; f, fair; r, rain; s, sun.

	C	F			C	F	
Belfast	17	63	c	Guernsey	17	63	c
B'mingham	17	63	c	Inverness	14	57	c
Blackpool	16	61	f	Jersey	19	66	t
Bristol	18	64	c	London	19	66	c
Cardiff	16	61	c	M'nchester	17	63	r
Edinburgh	14	57	c	Newcastle	17	63	r
Glasgow	16	61	r	R'nldsway	15	59	c

TODAY	AM	HT	PM	HT
London Bridge	6.00	5.8	6.33	5.7
Aberdeen	8.12	3.3	8.47	3.4
Avonmouth	12.42	9.8	1.12	9.7
Belfast	5.41	2.9	6.18	3.1
Cardiff	12.27	9.2	12.52	9.1
Devonport	—	—	12.16	4.3
Dover	5.13	6.3	5.51	6.2
Falmouth	11.41	4.1	—	—
Glasgow	6.54	3.9	7.31	4.1
Harwich	5.57	3.3	6.30	3.3
Holyhead	4.56	4.3	5.40	4.4
Hull	12.12	5.7	1.00	5.8
Ilfracombe	—	—	12.27	6.8
King's Lynn	12.18	4.8	1.12	4.7
Leith	9.37	4.3	10.10	4.3

TODAY	AM	HT	PM	HT
Liverpool	5.33	7.2	6.12	7.2
Lowestoft	4.05	2.1	4.50	2.0
Margate	8.20	4.0	8.51	3.9
Milford Haven	12.09	5.2	12.44	5.1
Newquay	11.43	5.2	—	—
Oban	—	—	12.13	2.9
Penzance	11.31	4.3	—	—
Portland	—	—	12.34	1.5
Portsmouth	5.49	3.9	6.12	4.0
Shoreham	5.19	4.6	6.06	4.6
Southampton	5.40	3.6	6.12	3.7
Swansea	12.13	7.2	12.49	7.1
Tees	10.46	4.1	11.23	4.1
Whitn-on-Nse	5.55	3.5	6.30	3.4



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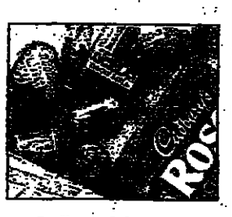
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THE POUND

US $	1.5522 (+0.0117)
German mark	2.4620 (-0.0087)
Exchange index	81.6 (same)
Bank of England official close (4pm)	

STOCK MARKET

FT-SE 100	3031.2 (-4.2)
Dow Jones	3593.13 (+4.20)*
Nikkei Avge	20825.58 (-92.61)

INTEREST RATES

London Bank Base	6%
3-month Interbank	5 15/16-5 7/8%
US Federal Funds	3%*
3-month Treas Bills	2.97-2.96%*
Long Bond	5.94%*

CURRENCIES

New York:		London:	
£:$	1.5512*	£:$	1.5515
$:DM	1.5970*	£:DM	2.4817
$:SWfr	1.4000*	£:SWfr	2.1732
$:Ffr	5.6235*	£:Ffr	8.7580
$:Yen	104.85*	£:Yen	163.15
£:SDR	1.0834	£:ECU	1.3041

London Forex market close

GOLD

London Fixing ($):
AM 351.35 — PM 353.30
Close 353.90-354.40
New York:
Comex 354.25-354.75*

RETAIL PRICES

RPI 140.7 July (1.4%)
* Denotes midday trading price

Bundesbank sparks wave of rate cuts

BY JANET BUSH
ECONOMICS CORRESPONDENT

■ European interest rates fell though governments are still cautious over German domination of policy. Britain did not cut but scope for a reduction has increased

THE Bundesbank cut its three key interest rates yesterday, triggering a wave of much-needed rate cuts across Europe. The British government failed to use the opportunity to cut British base rates, however.

The German central bank reduced its discount rate, which sets a floor for money market rates, to 6.25 per cent, from 6.75 per cent. Its Lombard rate, which sets an upper limit to rates and is therefore less important when rates are heading down, was reduced to 7.25 per cent, from 7.75 per cent.

The Bundesbank also said it was bringing down its repurchase rate to 6.70 per cent, from the 6.80 per cent that has been maintained since the beginning of August. That reinforced the message conveyed by the official rate cuts.

The German announcement was followed by cautious rate cuts from The Netherlands, France, Belgium, Italy, Spain and Austria. Denmark, which anticipated the Bundesbank by cutting rates on Wednesday, made no further change.

Kenneth Clarke, the Chancellor, made it clear in a newspaper interview published yesterday that he did not intend to snatch at any chance to reduce British rates. That, according to Treasury officials, remained the position after the European rate cuts.

The Treasury pointed to several buoyant UK economic indicators recently, such as healthy growth in M0 narrow money supply and a pick-up in M4 broad money. Nevertheless, economists believe yesterday's continental cuts leave the Chancellor more scope to deliver a politically popular rate cut during the Conservative Party conference, or a cut at budget time to soften the blow of any tax rises.

The continental rate cuts did nothing to suggest that countries are beginning to break free of German domination over the setting of European monetary policy. They evidently remain cautious about independent monetary action which, they believe, would undermine their currencies.

The Bank of France, for example, cut its five- to ten-day lending rate to 7.75 per cent.

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from 10 per cent. This simply reflected sliding money market rates since the July crisis in the exchange-rate mechanism, and brought the rate back to the level prevailing before pressure mounted on the franc. The French central bank left its more important intervention rate unchanged, at 6.75 per cent.

Italy cut its discount rate by ½ point, to 8.5 per cent. Belgium trimmed its discount rate from 7 to 6.5 per cent, and The Netherlands cut its three key interest rates by ½ point.

Theo Waigel, Germany's finance minister, said: "With this decision, the Bundesbank is supporting efforts to restore economic growth within and outside Germany." However, the German Federation of Chambers of Commerce criticised the move, saying: "If interest rates are cut again, despite excessive money supply growth, the German Bundesbank's anti-inflation policy, oriented on money supply, will be thrown into doubt."

Apart from such domestic pressure for continued monetary discipline, despite current economic pain, economists believe this is probably the last German rate cut for some time, perhaps until November, when October cost of living figures may show German inflation below 4 per cent. Such expectations left the mark even stronger and the dollar weaker.

So long had European rate cuts been expected and incorporated into increasingly inflated price levels in European stock markets that most markets closed lower.

The FT-SE 100 index in London closed 4.2 points down, at 3,031.2. In Germany, the Dax 30 index closed 4.48 points down at 1,880.81. In France, the CAC-40 index ended 20.69 points down, at 2,108.75.

Sterling dipped a pfennig against the mark, despite the lower German rates, to end at DM2.4820. However, it picked up more than a cent against a weakening dollar, which closed at $1.5522 to the pound. Sterling's trade-weighted index closed at 81.6, unchanged from Wednesday.

Drax drains Babcock funds



Board changes could pave the way for the departure of Lord King, top, and Jeff Whalley

BY GEORGE SIVELL

BABCOCK International shares fell 8½p to 31½p, after the engineering, contracting and shipyards group forecast a loss for the six months to end-September, because of £20 million of provisions against work at the Drax power station and problems in Africa.

No dividend is to be paid for the first half, against the 1p paid last time, out of interim pre-tax profits of £16.6 million. A decision on the final dividend is to be taken later.

John Lace, managing director of Babcock Energy, is to leave the Babcock board immediately, but will remain at the company until retirement in March next year. John Parker, 51, chairman and chief executive of Harland and Wolff, is to join Babcock as joint deputy chairman and chief executive. Nick Salmon, 41, is to join as managing director from GEC Alsthom.

These two appointments follow the departure this year of Oliver Whitehead, as chief executive, and are expected to pave the way for the eventual stepping down of Lord King, as non-executive chairman, and Jeff Whalley, as non-executive deputy chairman.

It is understood that a quarterly review of big contracts held by Babcock in June showed that the estimated cost of completing the flue gas desulphurisation equipment at the Drax power station in Yorkshire, a £400 million contract that runs until 1996, was not sufficiently prudent. It is further understood that the cost overrun was at least in part caused by changes made by National Power, the generating group which runs Drax.

Talks are to be held with National Power over recovering part of the additional costs.

About £5 million of the provision is to cover the cost of shutting down the non-core mining operations of Babcock Africa. It was intended to keep the operations open and trade out from the problems, but the situation has deteriorated and closure has become necessary. Babcock said its debts at end-September are likely to be £15 million or 20 per cent of shareholders' funds.

Maxwell liquidators sue Lehman

BY ANGELA MACKAY

LIQUIDATORS of the Maxwell pensions funds yesterday issued a writ for about £100 million against Lehman Brothers International (Europe) and Shearson Lehman Brothers claiming that the investment bank is wrongly holding assets belonging to pensioners.

Neil Cooper and Ipe Jacob, joint liquidators of Bishopsgate Investment Managment, claim that Lehmans has no rights to any of the pensions funds assets, because it was aware that there had been a fraudulent breach of trust by the late Robert Maxwell and others who had entered into several stock lending agreements with the American investment bank.

The assets from the pensions' common investment fund involved in the stock lending agreements include about £50 million of TEVA shares, some £30 million of Lazard Property Unit Trusts and another £7.3 million tranche of shares, which include Capital Radio, Medeva, J. Sainsbury and Northern Foods. BIM was trustee of the common investment fund.

A spokeswoman for Lehmans said the bank "totally rejected" BIM's claim and intended to fight the claim in court. "We engaged in *bona fide* business transactions under a legitimate stock lending arrangement with a regulated counter party and had no notice of any impropriety."

Robson Rhodes, the liquidator, was criticised in a Commons select committee report for costing too much and taking too long to issue proceedings designed to replenish pensions coffers. The document prepared by Stephenson Harwood and served on Freshfields, Lehmans' solicitor, also claims interest and costs that boost BIM's claim beyond £100 million.

Stock lending involves one party lending another securities on an open-ended or fixed basis in return for a fee and is a common and relatively risk-free method for fund managers to enhance their portfolio yield.

BIM alleges Lehmans had plenty of warning about the problems besetting Maxwell companies and that the bank should have known the stock lending agreements were a method of generating cash and that Lehmans was lending cash like an ordinary bank.

RETIRING

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American research supports Lord Out



ANTHONY HARRIS

For the past week or two the London stock market has been drifting for lack of support from American fund managers — or so it is believed. You may notice that the customary adverb is missing: drifting, not "drifting listlessly". Turnover has remained quite high, as those who rush for the exits jostle with those who sense a cheap buying opportunity. There is no point in taking sides again in this stand-off. Readers will know whether they think their glass is half full or half empty: my own view, that the bull will probably charge again, but this time into high-risk territory, may be regarded as unhelpful.

If you do want to buy, what? Your broker may already have sent you a circular containing the usual cop-out: "This is a time for selective investment." This looks judicious, but is about as helpful as a letter from an uncle saying: "If you must go to the races, dear boy, be sure you back winners." (Dash it, why didn't I think of that?) You may, of course, follow a tipster, wondering uneasily why he sells his insights to you when he could surely get richer keeping them to himself. What you really need is not so much advice as a strategy; and the basic choice is as old as the market itself: whizz kid, or stick-in-the-mud; or Mr In and Lord Out, as my colleague William Rees-Mogg christened them many years ago. Mr In follows the heard-it-from-a-chap approach to stock picking; he bought BTR when it was a small-company fancy, and has been vainly hoping for another ever since. Lord Out sticks to the investments you might pick for a widowed mother — lots of assets, well covered dividend, reasonable price/earnings multiple, unexciting price record. He took a terrible beating in bank shares, but is feeling almost smug by now: he always liked recovery stocks.

My interest in these gentlemen has been revived not only by the sideways market, but by a new American study, a paper called *Contrarian investment, extrapolation and risk*, by Lakonishok, Schleifer and Vishny.* These sages have tracked the performance of all US listed stocks over a period of 22 years, and reached a firm conclusion: Lord Out — a "value investor", in Wall Street terms — has it right. The value stocks, with unexciting growth but good solid cover, outperformed fast-growing glamour stocks by 22.7 per cent over five years. Mr In's favourites, stocks picked for a good growth record and bought at high multiples performed especially badly.

So here they are again. Mr In, following fashion, has picked six stocks which have risen far and fallen little:

Company	Price	Year rise	P/E
Land Securities	662	53%	19.6
SG Warburg	803	53%	20.3
Next	197.5	28.6%	19.7
Wimpey	184	75.2%	n/a
Cable and W	835	32.7%	22.4
HSBC	705	47.5%	16.5

Mr In has also bought Lord Out's long-treasured holding in GEC. Lord O is delighted to take his profit – "Always said they were sound"; Mr In says: "Silly old buffer. Always bales out when the fun starts." For myself, I regard GEC as a borderline case.

Lord Out has picked stocks that are out of fashion, well off their highs, since "I like to get the bad news out of the way", and not to demanding now:

Company	Price	Fall from high	P/E
Tesco	221	19.6%	10.1
Tate and Lyle	366	17%	12.3
Hanson	247	11%	13.1
BATS	448	13.3%	18.1
British Gas	329	3.3%	15.2
Williams Hold	332	9.3%	16.2

The last two are not badly down but meet other tests: a high dividend yield and a multiple that is moderate these days. He regards both as good market defensive stocks, too out of fashion to suffer much in a correction.

Lord Out is himself regarded as a rash fool by his aged uncle, the Duke, who sold all his equities at the end of last year, and points to the sound performance and higher running yield on his Government stocks. His broker claims he can foresee a day when shares will yield more than gilts — from a price collapse not booming profits. An extremist view; but has any reader under 50 wondered why the excess of gilts yields over equities is called the reverse yield gap

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CBI says recovery is patchy despite still-rising sales

BY COLIN NARBROUGH

RETAIL sales rose year on year in August for the third consecutive month, but the pace of the upturn remains far from uniform, says the Confederation of British Industry.

The CBI's monthly distributive trades survey, published yesterday, reported that motor traders had their strongest August improvement in sales volumes for five years. August, when the new registration letter comes in, is always the best month for car sales.

The wholesale trade showed another year-on-year increase last month, but at a slower rate than for any month since March. Orders placed with suppliers have consequently been cut and stocks remain more than sufficient to meet expected demand, which does not augur well for manufacturing industry.

Nigel Whittaker, chairman of the CBI panel that produces the survey, said: "Sales volumes in August were up on a year ago, maintaining the pace of this modest recovery in high street activity." But he added that though the retail recovery appeared well established, sales had once again fallen short of expectations.

"Some sectors report only a small increase in sales and, in general, retailers with only one store are still reporting trade volumes below last year's levels," he noted.

He attributed part of the increase in sales to continued discounting by retailers in the highly competitive market that has emerged since the recession. Retailers reported the lowest rise in prices last month since the authoritative survey began a decade ago.

Virtually all retail sectors saw year on year growth. Off-licences, hit by competition from the supermarkets, reported a fall in sales. The strongest growth came in clothing, furniture and carpet stores. The CBI said that volume sales in all sectors, except the three best performers and grocery stores, were still "below normal".

Retailers are expecting slightly better sales growth this month. The latest survey, which covers 15,000 outlets, was taken between August 17 and September 1.

Howard Davies, CBI director general, said economic recovery, though somewhat fragile, appeared to be moving along well. He forecast 1.75 per cent growth this year, accelerating to 3 per cent next.

He said: "We have certainly in the past month or so cheered up a bit. There was a bit of a blip in July ... but in August things started to move up again". He agreed with the view of Kenneth Clarke, the Chancellor, that there is no need yet to lower base rates to boost the economy.



Howard Davies sees no need for lower base rates yet

Taurus debacle may not hit City's image

BY OUR FINANCIAL STAFF

THE setback to reforming London's settlement system through the collapse of Taurus, the London Stock Exchange's £85 million computer project, is unlikely to have damaged the City's competitiveness in international share trading as much as originally thought, a report from the City Research Project suggests.

Stanislas Yassukovich, chairman of the project, said: "The failure of Taurus does not seriously undermine the City's position as an international financial centre."

London's existing share settlement system conspicuously fails several of the tests set by the international Group of Thirty regulators for the ideal common characteristics of stock exchanges for international fund managers. It is also perceived as making dealings in London more costly for international institutions.

But after comparing Frankfurt, Paris, New York and Tokyo, the study found most of these also fell far short of the ideal in practice, even if they conformed to more G30 recommendations in principle.

For instance, although France had theoretically instituted rolling settlement of trades after three days, most were actually settled at the end of the month. More trades failed to be settled on time in Frankfurt and in Tokyo, where a system to remove physical movement of share certificates was barely used because it cost £560 million and charges made to recoup this were too high.

Costs of setting up Crest, the alternative to Taurus being developed by a task force headed by the Bank of England, must be kept to a minimum if the development is to be worthwhile and should involve only modest costs for firms adjusting their own systems to fit, the study concludes. It adds there would be dangers in the Bank of England operating a domestic monopoly and that public policy should be directed towards encouraging competition rather than a single co-operative venture.

The paper from the CRP, promoted by the Lord Mayor to study London's competitiveness as an international finance centre, adds the failure of Taurus has almost certainly removed the exchange's room to develop a new computerised share trading system.

Repayment plan put to creditors

BY SARAH BAGNALL
INSURANCE CORRESPONDENT

LOSSES by the five insolvent insurance subsidiaries of London United Investments (LUI), the collapsed property and investment company, could exceed $9 billion, according to the companies' joint provisional liquidators.

The liquidators, Chris Hughes and Ian Bond, of Cork Gully, said that current best estimates put the losses at $5 billion, but total liabilities could exceed $9 billion as more claims come through over the next 20-40 years.

Mr Hughes and Mr Bond yesterday unveiled proposals aimed at accelerating repayments to creditors.

The liquidators of the Kwelm companies — Kingscroft, Walbrook, El Paso, Lime Street and Mutual Reinsurance — are asking the 180,000 creditors to approve their fast-track repayment plan, which proposes making an initial dividend payment next year. If approval is not given, the companies will fall into liquidation and creditors will have to wait about ten years before receiving any dividend.

Creditors are due to vote on the plan on November 17.

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(Unaudited)

"The Group has enjoyed an excellent first half with sales increasing by 16.3%. The trading margin improved to 10.0% with marketing support up by 11.6%. Capital expenditure was up 12.7% and previous investment programmes have contributed to improved productivity and customer service.

Sales	**£1,709.0m**	**+**	**16.3%**
Trading Profit	**£171.1m**	**+**	**21.6%**
Pre-Tax Profit	**£166.2m**	**+**	**32.0%**
Earnings per Share	**12.40p**	**+**	**20.9%**
Dividend per Share	**3.60p**	**+**	**9.1%**

Pre-tax profit rose by 32% to £166.2m. EPS increased by 20.9%. Adjusting for exchange rate movements the growth in earnings was 12%. An interim dividend of 3.6p has been declared giving an increase of 9.1%.

Net borrowings at £509m compared with £491m in 1992 despite the increase in activity and £29m spent on acquisitions. Our interest charge is covered 7.6 times.

Our increased stake in the US based Dr. Pepper/Seven-Up Company, raising our shareholding to 25.9%, represents an excellent investment opportunity. The proposed acquisition of A&W Brands would increase our market share in US carbonated soft drinks from 3.4% to 5.6%.

The Group has demonstrated a strong performance in the first half and although the markets of continental Europe continue to be depressed I am confident that the Group will show significant progress this year."

Dominic Cadbury, Chairman

Cadbury Schweppes

MANAGEMENT PROVEN IN THE MARKET PLACE

JIB Group held back by Lloyd's agency losses

PROFITS growth at JIB Group, the international broking operation, was slowed by worsening losses from its Lloyd's members' agency and continued tough trading conditions. Pre-tax profits in the six months to end-June advanced from £10.7 million to £11.7 million and the interim dividend was held at 2.5p. Losses from JLUA, the Lloyd's agency, increased from £400,000 to £900,000 and Rodney Leach, chairman, gave warning that "the position has become increasingly uncertain and much will depend on the outcome of the Lloyd's legal dispute settlement initiative".

Mr Leach added: "While the problems of Lloyd's, which is our largest single market, remain of concern, we are supportive of the reforms which the new management is introducing there, and overall we are cautiously optimistic about the trading outlook for the group." The company's results suffered from a £1.1 million fall in investment income to £8.4 million. A lower profits contribution from the UK and the Republic of Ireland of £5.9 million, down £1.6 million, was partly offset by better profits from America and the Asia-Pacific region. US profits doubled to £1.2 million while Asia-Pacific profits rose from £3.1 million to £4.1 million.

Devro names new chief

A NEW chief executive has been appointed from within Devro International, the sausage skin manufacturer that went public two months ago in controversial circumstances when institutions blocked the appointment of an outside candidate. Devro announced that Graeme Alexander, 43, joint managing director since 1990, would take over the top slot from Frank de Angeli, 69, who announced his retirement yesterday, but will be a consultant to the group.

Great Southern rises

DESPITE a further small decline in the national mortality rate, Great Southern Group, the USM-quoted funeral director, achieved a 13 per cent increase in pre-tax profits to £2.88 million in the six months to end-June. Turnover rose 9.4 per cent to £16.2 million. Gearing fell to 71 per cent from 81 per cent a year earlier. Earnings climb 15.2 per cent to 14.4p (12.5p) a share, with fully diluted earnings of 13.4p (11.85p). The interim dividend rises 11 per cent to 4p.

Dixons sees recovery



DIXONS Group, the electrical and electronic goods retailer, said sales are running ahead of last year with increasing signs of economic recovery. Stanley Kalms, chairman, pictured, told the annual meeting: "Since my July statement, there has been no material change in trading in the UK. There are increasing signs of economic recovery, and sales in both Dixons and Currys remain ahead of last year in a competitive market." There had been "some improvement" in performance at the troubled US Silo chain, he added.

Shell Transport payout

SHELL Transport & Trading, the UK arm of the Royal Dutch Shell Group, announced an interim dividend of 10.2p a share, up from 9.3p last time. Royal Dutch Petroleum, the group's Dutch arm, will pay out 3.70 guilders a share, a rise from 3.60 guilders. In August, Shell reported a 10 per cent rise in interim net income to £1.52 billion but told shareholders that second-quarter profits had slipped 6 per cent to £575 million.

Export guarantees up

A SHARP rise in the level of official export credit guarantees shows that Britain is "breaking out of its export straitjacket", according to Richard Needham, the trade minister. He was commenting on the Export Credit Guarantees Department's latest figures for capital goods, which showed that a total of £1.5 billion of guarantees was issued in the first quarter of this financial year, compared with a provisional £3.8 billion for the whole of the previous year.

QMH appointments

QUEENS Moat Houses, the troubled hotels group, has named Michael Cairns as chief operating officer for its 191 hotels in the UK and continental Europe. Mr Cairns, 53, moves from Inter-Continental Hotels where he is an executive director. QMH has also announced that Andrew Bould, senior vice-president of sales and marketing for the Hilton International hotels group, will become managing director of the UK hotels division.

Cadbury Schweppes seeks £324m

By Susan Gilchrist

CADBURY Schweppes is asking its shareholders for £324 million to fund the acquisition of A&W Brands, in a bid to secure a stronger foothold in the $47 billion American soft drinks market.

The purchase of A&W, the leading player in the root beer segment, lifts Cadbury's share of the soft drinks market from 3.4 to 5.6 per cent. The deal will complement Cadbury's investment in Dr Pepper/Seven-Up, in which it has a 25.9 per cent stake. But even with the A&W acquisition, Cadbury still remains a distant fourth in the market behind Coca-Cola, PepsiCo and Dr Pepper/Seven-Up.

David Jinks, Cadbury's finance director, said the purchase was an important step in the group's strategy of expansion in the American beverages market, the largest drinks market in the world. "We may still be number four, but we will be 60 per cent bigger than we were before," he said.

Cadbury is paying $334 million for the company, equivalent to $24.50 per share, which represents a premium of about 22 per cent.

The one-for-nine rights issue at 400p a share surprised few in the City, which has been expecting such a move for almost a year. The proceeds will also be used to help fund other recent investments, including the shareholding in Dr Pepper/Seven-Up and expansion in China and Poland.

Mr Jinks said recent scare stories on the impact of the Dr Pepper/Seven-Up "poison pill" had been overdone. "It does not change the value of our investment or the strategic opportunities from our two businesses working together," he said.

The group, which is chaired by Dominic Cadbury, also reported a healthy 32 per cent increase in pre-tax profits, which rose from £125.9 million to £166.2 million for the six months to June 19. Earnings were up 21 per cent to 12.4p a share. Even accounting for the effect of exchange rates, underlying earnings growth was still 12 per cent. The interim dividend is 3.6p, compared with 3.3p.

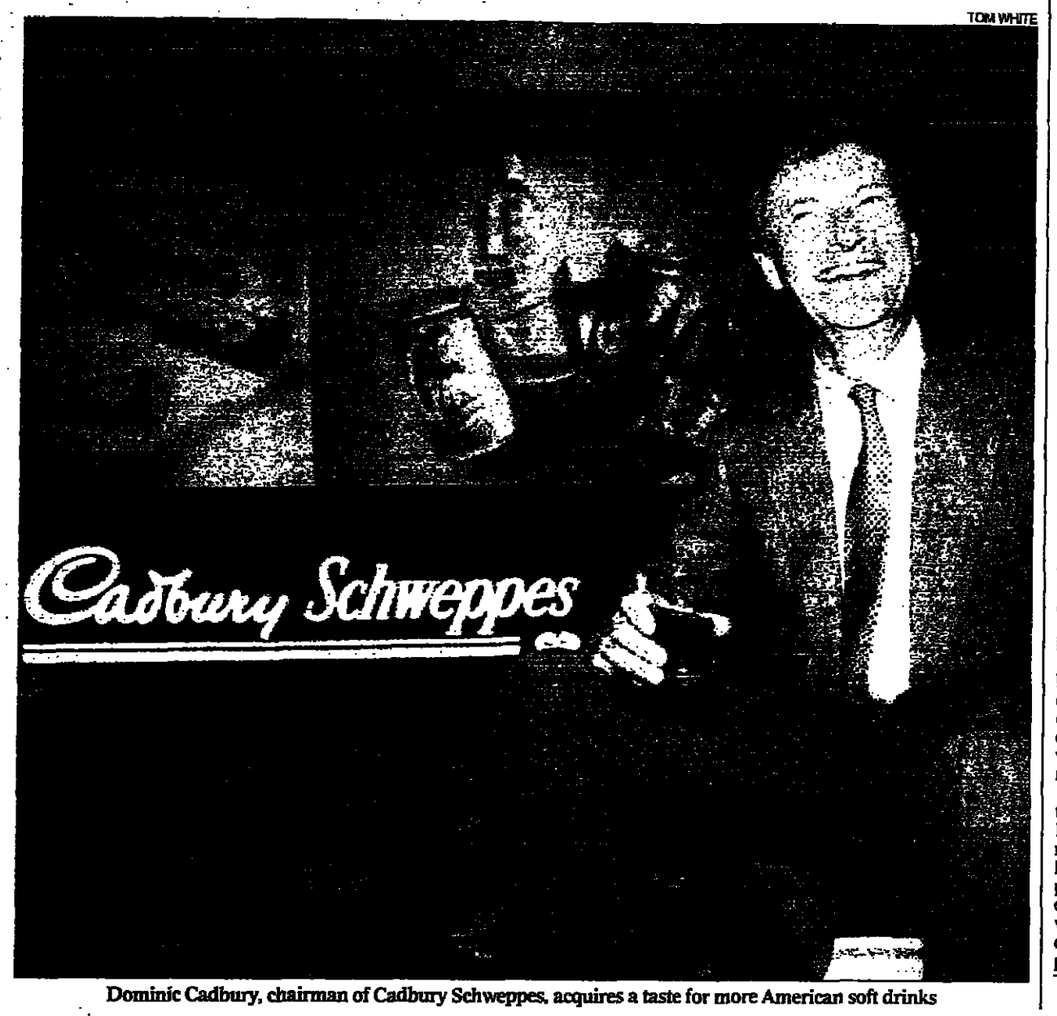
The rise was aided by a robust performance from the British operations, which account for almost half of group profits. Operating profits in Britain rose by 29 per cent to £79 million. The American operations boosted trading profits by 56 per cent to £40 million.

However, profits in Europe fell sharply from £20.7 million to £10 million, as the group was hit by a £15 million restructuring charge on its early retirement programme in Spain.

Mr Jinks said Cadbury intends to expand internationally both by organic growth and bolt-on acquisitions. The group is in negotiations to buy an unnamed confectionery business with some £55 million of sales. Analysts said this ruled out Lindt and Ferrero, two companies Cadbury would like to buy, but keeps names such as Ritter, Storck and Cantalou in the frame.

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TOM WHITE



Dominic Cadbury, chairman of Cadbury Schweppes, acquires a taste for more American soft drinks

RTZ 'well poised' for economic upturn

By Colin Campbell
Mining Correspondent

RTZ, the world's largest mining group, yesterday firmly demonstrated its ability to manage, and survive, in times of depressed metal markets.

The group reported an 18 per cent rise to £186 million in net adjusted earnings for the six months to June 30, and said that cash flow from continuing operations had risen from £236 million to £315 million.

Sir Derek Birkin, who retires from executive responsibilities next May, although he will remain chairman, said RTZ was especially well poised for the eventual economic upturn and that the balance sheet was in excellent shape.

There was a £50 million adverse effect on earnings from weaker metal prices, offset by a £50 million benefit from exchange rates. Costs had been further reduced.

RTZ will realise £900 million overall before the year-end from the announced sale of its Pillar industrial interests, after which the group will be focused exclusively on mining.

Robert Wilson, chief executive, said that talks with the Papua New Guinea government concerning Lihir, the largest undeveloped gold project outside of South Africa, were progressing and it was hoped that a satisfactory conclusion would prove possible.

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Recovery at Arjo held back by Europe

By Rodney Hobson

OVERCAPACITY in the European pulp and paper industry cut first-half profits at Arjo Wiggins Appleton and will hold back a recovery in profits until at least the second half of next year.

Pre-tax profits in the six months to June were down by a third, from £99.1 million to £63 million. Part of the fall was caused by provisions of £14.6 million for rationalisation costs following the merger of Wiggins Teape Appleton and Arjomari-Prioux of France in 1990.

Although the volume of sales was up 1 per cent, their value fell 5 per cent as operating profit slipped from £112.4 million to £104.1 million. Arjo derives more than half its sales from mainland Europe.

Earnings fell to 3.6p a share from 7.5p. The interim dividend is unchanged at 2.65p, which means that dividend cover has been halved to 1.5 times. The shares held well, gaining 4p to 206p.

Cob Stenham, chairman, says: "The outlook for the second half in Europe is for a continuation of the arduous business climate that has prevailed in the paper industry since the middle of last year. Recovery in the UK and US continues but remains subdued and uneven.

"The overcapacity affecting several of our European product ranges is expected to restrict the group's profit recovery prospects until at least the second half of 1994."

British Gas warns of profits erosion

By Patricia Tehan

BRITISH Gas said yesterday that profits will suffer and its investment programme will be cut back as a result of the tough new tariff formula recommended by the monopolies commission, and the effect of increasing competition and loss of market share.

Robert Evans, the chairman, said: "The company's investment programme will need to be constrained as a result of the lower profits and cash generated by the UK gas supply business with capital expenditure in the UK, which last year totalled around £2 billion, inevitably being significantly reduced."

He blamed "the effect of the regulatory squeeze on sales volumes and selling prices" for a decline in profitability in its UK gas supply business in the first half of the year which, he said, largely offset an improved performance in its exploration and production business and higher profits from overseas gas supply. On a historical cost basis, interim pre-tax profits rose by 2.5 per cent to £938 million.

In the first half, profits in British Gas's core UK gas supply business fell by £81 million to £595 million compared with the same period last year. Operating profits in exploration and production rose by £88 million to £194 million. Overseas gas supply profits were up by £29 million to £123 million. The interim dividend has been held at 6.4p, though Mr Evans said: "This should not be taken as any indication of the company's future intentions which may be affected by decisions yet to be taken on the recommendations of the MMC."

The commission last month proposed adjustments to British Gas's domestic price formula from next April and a new pricing formula for its pipelines business from next October.

It also recommended that that British Gas should divest its trading activities, which involve selling gas to the public and to commercial and industrial users, by end-March 1997.

The government has put the recommendations out for consultation. British Gas hopes to put forward its views in the next few days.

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British Gas chiefs Cedric Brown, left, and Philip Rogers

Blue Circle says cement price rise is sticking

By Martin Flanagan

BLUE Circle Industries, Britain's leading cement producer, said a 2 per cent price increase implemented in the summer had held fast. The increase followed three years of price falls, and previous efforts to reverse the trend had foundered.

Ian McKenzie, director of Blue Circle's heavy building materials arm, said: "We now have market stability. The price rises have stuck." UK cement imports had stopped growing.

However, the company said cost-cutting was the crucial factor behind an increase in interim profits to £60.5 million before tax and exceptional items, compared with £46.3 million last time. Blue Circle shares rose 16p to 286p.

Keith Orrell-Jones, managing director, said efficiency gains — including 20 per cent staff cuts at UK cement operations — were responsible for most of the operating profit advance. At the pre-tax level, profits fell to £60.5 million, from £86.4 million, which included gains from disposals. The interim dividend is pegged at 3.75p.

In the core heavy building materials arm, profits increased in the first six months of the year to £53 million, from £42.8 million, despite a 5 per cent fall in UK cement volumes to 2.9 million tonnes.

The slack was taken up partly by Blue Circle's American operations, profits of which jumped from £1.9 million to £6.6 million. Another star performer was Chile, where profits jumped by 76 per cent, to £16.5 million.

Blue Circle's home products division was relatively static; profits edged up from £23.1 million to £24.2 million.

BZW has increased its full-year profits forecast for the group by £10 million, to £150 million, against £93.8 million achieved last time.

Glaxo prudent with £1.8bn cash

By Sarah Bagnall

GLAXO, the pharmaceutical company, said that it is keeping a tight hold on its £1.8 billion cash pile as an insurance against future uncertainties.

The drug company, which unveiled a 17 per cent leap in pre-tax profits for the year to the end of June of £1.67 billion, is embroiled in a dispute over the patent of Zantac, its best selling drug.

The outcome of the case is expected later this year. Dr Richard Sykes, deputy chairman and chief executive, said: "One of the big issues we face is Zantac. It is a £2 billion of sales product but there is a court case and judgment pending."

If Glaxo fails to convince the court that the patent is valid, then by 1996 generic drugs will severely impact on Zantac sales. Glaxo, along with other drug companies, also face uncertainty over healthcare reforms in the United States. Hillary Clinton's package of reforms is due to be unveiled later this month. Recent government action and further expected moves in Europe are also causing uncertainty, he added.

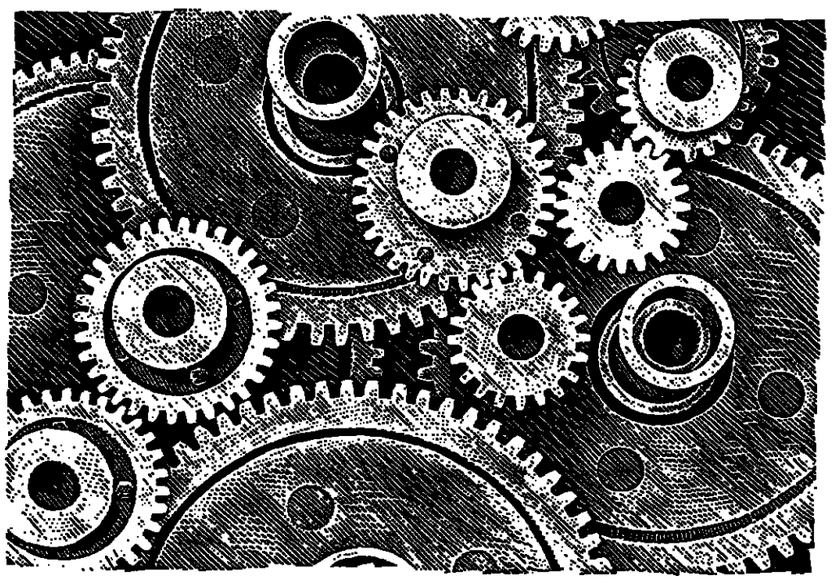
John Coombe, the Glaxo finance director, said given these factors, "it would be seen as imprudent action at the present time to do anything with the cash pile".

Stripping out currency gains, pre-tax profits rose 12 per cent. Profits were helped by a 7 per cent advance in investment income to £150 million, reflecting a rise in liquid funds available for investment, which offset the impact of lower interest rates.

Mr Sykes said Zantac had performed strongly across the world, with sales of £2.17 billion, up 11 per cent at constant exchange rates. Products introduced in the last three years made encouraging progress, with sales of £600 million while the group's antibiotics were resilient in a highly competitive market. The final dividend of 7p, up 1p lifted the total dividend from 17p to 22p.

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1993 Half Year Results

	First half 1993	First half 1992
Sales	£4,872m	£4,310m
Profit before tax	£602m	£548m
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Dividend per share	4.95p	4.65p*

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STOCK MARKET

SB and Rothmans face index removal threat

A THREAT to remove the shares of **SmithKline Beecham** and **Rothmans International** as constituents of the top 100 companies is likely to encounter fierce opposition from the institutions in the weeks ahead.

The row that has erupted comes in the wake of proposals by the steering committee of the FT-SE Actuaries UK Indices to alter the rules governing the type of company being included in the index.

Under the new rules, only companies paying dividends subject to British taxation will be eligible for inclusion. This will make both Rothmans, down 21p at 675p, and SmithKline Beecham A, 15½p lower at 429½p, ineligible.

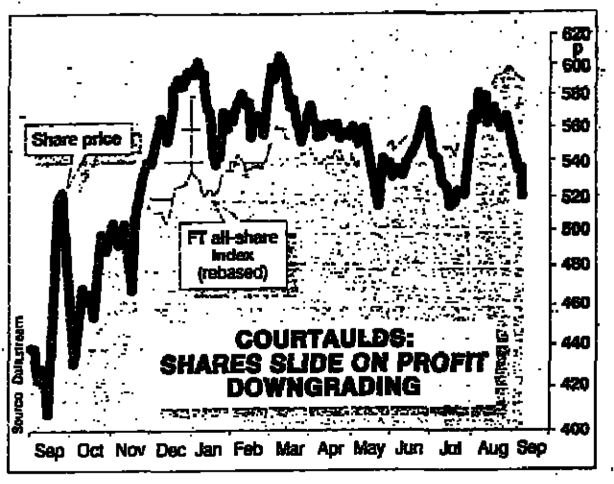
Rothmans is due to demerge later this month, swapping assets with Dunhill and creating a separately quoted tobacco group and Vendome, a Luxembourg company specialising in luxury goods.

SmithKline has a two-tier share structure, with the B shares linked to American preference shares. However, the sheer size of both SmithKline's structures is likely to guarantee that it maintains its position in the index.

The steering committee will meet again on October 6 to clarify the position, but it is likely to encounter intense lobbying by fund managers, who are worried by the prospect of a sharp fall in the share prices of the companies if the proposals are implemented.

The cut in German interest rates and a positive survey on the economy from the CBI provided a brief respite to the equity market, which recovered an early fall before moving into positive territory for the first time this week.

But share prices were unable to consolidate their position and ended lower on the day after a dull start to trading on Wall Street and selling of the future. The FT-SE 100 index, up almost 10 points at one stage, eventually closed 4.2 lower at 3,031.2.



There was further heavy turnover in **Iceland Frozen Foods** as a line of 4 million shares went through the market. Smith New Court is believed to have placed the shares with institutions at 221p. Earlier this week, Mercury Asset Management disposed of 1 million shares.

Babcock International fell 8½p to 31½p after warning that it would make a loss in the first half and not pay a dividend. The company blamed cost overruns on the Drax power station project.

Courtaulds, the demerged chemicals operation, fell 16p to 519p after a downgrading by Warburg Securities.

The City gave the thumbs-up to half-year figures from **Glaxo**, which improved 27p to 628p. Pre-tax profits were in line with forecasts, growing 17 per cent to £1.67 billion, with both sales and operating profits higher.

Cadbury Schweppes confirmed market speculation by announcing details of a proposed £324 million rights issue to help finance the acquisition of A&W Brands, the American root beer producer.

The terms are one-for-nine at 400p. Cadbury's share price was unchanged at 470p. Half-year figures from the group showed pre-tax profits 32 per cent higher at £166.2 million. **BTR** fell 17½p to 381½p after cautious comments on current trading. Interim figures showed pre-tax profits 10 per cent ahead at £602 million.

Coats Viyella, the textiles group, increased 1p to 257p after recording a 35 per cent rise in first-half pre-tax profits to £62.8 million.

Interim figures from **Arjo Wiggins Appleton** showed pre-tax profits 36 per cent lower at £63 million. However, the dividend was maintained.

□ **GILT-EDGED:** Gilts enjoyed an early mark-up along with other European bond markets on the back of the cut in German interest rates. But profit-taking and a weak opening on the US bond market put paid to some of the gains.

The December series of the Long Gilt fell £⅛ to £113¼ as 73,000 contracts were completed. In longs, **Treasury 9 per cent 2012** firmed £⅛ to £118⁹⁄₃₂ while, in shorts, **Treasury 9½ per cent 1999** fell five ticks to £113¼.

MICHAEL CLARK

WALL STREET

Dow struggles to keep grip on small gains

New York — Wall Street shares were firm in early trading, with the Dow Jones industrial average struggling to hold on to small gains.

Robert Walberg, a market analyst at MMS International, said that shares were experiencing a technical rebound after two days of heavy selling that saw the Dow fall about 45 points. The Dow was up 2.52 points to 3,591.45, off its 3,599 session peak.

□ **Tokyo** — Shares ended down for the fourth successive day as investors avoided creating new positions before today's futures and options settlement. The Nikkei average was down 92.61 points to 20,825.58, with about 250 million shares traded.

□ **Hong Kong** — The Hang Seng index fell 20.37 points to 7,586.76, after hitting a fresh intra-day record of 7,663.63.

□ **Singapore** — The Straits Times index eased 8.23 points to 2,020.73. *(Reuter)*

	Sep 9 midday	Sep 8 close
AMP Inc	65¾	65¾
AMR Corp	64¼	63⅞
Abbott Labs	25⅞	25⅞
Aetna Life	59⅞	59⅝
Ahmanson (HF)	20	19⅞
Air Prod & Chem	40⅞	41⅛
Albertson's	55⅞	55⅝
Alcan Alumnm	20	19¾
Alco Standard	45⅛	45⅞
Allied Signal	71⅞	72⅛
Alum Co of Am	72⅛	71⅞
Amax	24⅛	24⅛
Amerada Hess	51⅛	51⅛
Amer Brands	32⅛	32⅝
Amer Cyanamid	53⅞	53⅛
Amer El Power	39	39⅛
Amer Express	33⅞	33
Amer Genl Corp	35⅞	35⅜
Amer Home Pr	63	62⅝
Amer Intl	97⅛	97⅝
Amer Stores	43⅞	43⅞
Amer T & T	61⅛	61⅛
Ameritech	87⅛	87⅛
Amoco	55⅞	55⅝
Anheuser-Busch	48⅛	48
Apple Computer	26⅞	28⅞
Archer Daniels	23⅞	23⅞
Arkla	8⅛	8⅛
Armco	6⅛	6⅛
Armstrong Wrld	38	38
Asarco	19½	19⅞
Ashland Oil	32⅞	32⅞
Atl Richfield	114½	115⅛
Auto Data Pro	48⅛	48⅞
Avery Dennison	26	26⅛
Avon Products	49⅞	50⅛
Baker Hughes	25⅞	25⅞
Baltim Gas & El	26⅛	26⅞
Banc One	42	41⅞
BankAmerica	47⅛	47⅛
Bank of NY	54⅞	53⅞
Bankers Tr NY	81⅛	80⅛
Barnett Banks	45⅞	45⅞
Bausch & Lomb	47	46⅞
Baxter Intl	22⅛	22⅞
Becton Dicknsn	35⅞	35⅞
Bell Atlantic	63⅞	63⅞
BellSouth	59⅞	59⅞
Black & Decker	20⅛	20⅞
Block (H&R)	39⅞	39⅞
Boeing	39⅞	39⅞
Boise Cascade	21⅛	21⅛
Borden Inc	18	18⅛
Bristol Myrs Sq	58⅞	58⅞
Browning Ferris	23⅞	23⅞
Burlington Nthn	53⅞	53⅞
CBS	262	260
CNA Financial	86⅞	87⅞
CPC Intl	44⅞	44⅞
CSX	75⅞	74⅞
Campbell Soup	39	39⅞
Can Pacific	15⅛	15⅛
Cptl Cities ABC	530	530½
Cptl Holdings	42	42⅞
Carolina Pwr	33⅛	33⅛
Caterpillar	80⅞	79⅞
Central & SW	33⅞	33⅛
Champion Intl	31⅛	30⅞
Chase Manhat	35⅞	33⅞
Chemical Bk	42⅞	41
Chevron Corp	89⅞	90
Chrysler	43⅞	43
Chubb Corp	88⅞	88
Cigna Corp	63⅞	62⅞
Citicorp	34⅞	33⅞
Clorox	53⅞	53⅞
Coastal Corp	27⅞	27⅞
Coca Cola	43⅛	43⅞
Colgate-Palmolive	51⅛	51⅛
Columbia Gas	26⅞	25⅞
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Dana Corp	54⅞	54⅞
Dayton Hudson	65⅞	65⅞
Deere	68⅞	68⅞
Delta Air Lines	52⅞	51⅞
Deluxe Corp	38⅞	38⅞
Detroit Edison	35⅞	35⅞
Digital Equip	41⅞	40⅞
Dillard Dept St	34	34⅞
Disney (Walt)	38⅞	39
Dominion Res	47⅞	48
Donelley (RR)	31⅞	31⅛
Dover Corp	54⅞	54⅞
Dow Chemicals	59⅞	58⅞
Dow Jones	30⅞	30⅞
Dresser	22	22
Duke Power	43⅞	43⅞
Dun & Bradstreet	60⅞	61
Du Pont	48	48⅞
Eastman Kodak	59⅞	59
Eaton Corp	49⅞	48⅞

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Ethyl Corp	18⅞	18⅛
Exxon	65⅞	65⅞
FMC Corp	49⅞	49⅞
FPL Group	39⅞	39⅞
Federal Express	56⅞	55⅞
Fed Nat Mtge	78⅞	78⅞
First Chicago	46⅞	45⅞
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Fleet Finl Grp	32⅛	32
Fluor Corp	43⅞	43⅞
Ford Motor	52⅞	51⅛
GTE Corp	36⅞	37⅞
Gannett	50	50⅞
Gap Inc Del	26⅛	25⅞
Gen Dynamics	96⅛	95⅞
Gen Electric	96⅞	95⅞
Gen Mills	61⅛	61
Gen Motors	45⅛	44⅞
Gen Reinsurance	131⅛	129⅞
Gen Signal	32⅞	32⅞
Genuine Parts	37⅛	37⅞
Georgia Pac	63⅞	62⅞
Gillette	52⅞	53⅛
Glaxo ADR	19⅞	18⅞
Goodrich (BF)	46	45⅞
Goodyear Tire	42⅞	42
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Intl Paper	62⅞	63
James River Va	21	21
Jhnsn & Jhnsn	39	38⅞
K Mart	22⅞	22
Kellogg	53⅞	53⅞
Kerr-McGee	53⅞	54⅛
Kimberly-Clark	49⅞	49⅞
Knight-Ridder	54	54⅞
Lilly (Eli)	48⅞	48⅞
Limited Inc	21⅛	21⅛
LIN Brdcstng	114½	115⅞
Lincoln Nat	46⅞	46⅞
Litton	61	61
Liz Claiborne	22⅞	22⅞
Lockheed Corp	61⅛	62⅛
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Medtronic	62	61⅛
Mellon Bk	58	58⅞
Melville Corp	43⅞	44
Merck Inc	32	31⅛
Merrill Lynch	96⅞	94⅞
Minnesota Mine	107	108⅞
Mobil Corp	77⅞	77⅞
Monsanto	64⅞	64⅞
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Natl Semi	18⅞	18
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Pacificorp	20⅞	20⅛
Pac Enterprises	26⅛	26⅛
Pac Gas & Elec	35⅞	36⅛
Pac Telesis	54⅞	54⅛
Pall Corp	19⅞	19⅛
Panhandle East	25⅞	26
Paramt Comm	56⅛	55
Parker Hannifin	35⅞	37⅛
Penney (JC)	40⅞	40⅛
Pennzoil	65⅞	65⅞
Pepsico	39⅞	39⅞
Pfizer	62⅞	62
Phelps Dodge	45⅛	45⅛
Philadel Elec	31⅛	31⅞
Philip Morris	47⅞	48⅛
Phillips Pet	31⅛	32
Pitney Bowes	39⅞	39⅞
Polaroid	36⅞	36⅛
Price Co	35⅛	35⅛
Primerica	43⅞	42⅛
Procter & Gmbl	48⅞	49⅛
Pub Serv E & G	35	35⅞
Quaker Oats	68	69
Ralston Purina	37⅞	37⅛
Raychem Corp	41	40⅞
Raytheon	62⅞	62⅛
Reebok Intl	25⅞	25
Reynolds Metals	46⅛	46⅛
Roadway Srvcs	58⅞	58⅞
Rockwell Intl	35⅞	35⅞
Rohm & Haas	52⅛	52⅛
Royal Dutch	101⅛	100⅞
Rubbermaid	32⅞	32⅞
Safeco Corp	62⅞	63⅞
St Paul's Cos	90⅞	91⅛
Salomon Inc	50⅞	50⅞
Santa Fe Pac	17⅞	18
Sara Lee Corp	26⅞	26⅞
Scecorp	25⅛	25⅞
Schering Plough	60⅞	60⅞
Schlumberger	65	65⅞
Scott Paper	33⅞	33⅞
Seagram	26⅛	25⅞
Sears Roebuck	55⅞	54⅞
Shell Trans	60⅞	61
Sherwin Wilms	34⅛	34⅛
Skyline Corp	17⅞	16⅞
Snap-On-Tools	40⅞	40⅞
Southern Co	44⅞	44⅞
Sthwestern Bell	45	45⅛
Sprint Corp	36⅞	36⅞
Stanley Works	41⅛	41⅛
Sun Company	27	27
Suntrust	41⅛	41⅛
Supervalu	35⅞	35⅞
Syntex Corp	18⅞	18⅞
Sysco Corp	28⅞	28
TRW Inc	63⅞	63⅞
Tandem Comp	9⅞	9⅞
Tandy Corp	33⅞	32⅞
Telecom Corp	3⅞	3⅞
Teledyne	24⅞	24⅞
Temple Inland	42⅞	42⅞
Tenneco	53	52⅞
Texaco	64⅞	65⅞
Texas Inst	77	76
Texas Utilities	47⅞	47⅞
Textron	56⅞	57⅛
Time Warner	41⅛	41⅛
Times-Mirror	30⅞	31
Timken	33⅞	33
Torchmark	56⅞	57
Toys R Us	34⅞	34
Transamerica	58⅞	59⅞
Travelers Corp	34⅛	33⅛
Tribune	51⅛	51⅛
Tyco Labs	43⅞	44⅞
UAL Corp	144⅞	141
UST Inc	26⅞	27
USX Marathon	19⅞	19⅞
Unilever NV	109	108⅛
Union Camp	44⅛	44⅛
Union Carbide	18⅞	18⅞
Union Pacific	62⅞	62⅞
Unisys Corp	11	10⅞
USAIR Group	13⅞	13⅞
USF&G Corp	18	17⅞
US Life	41⅛	41⅛
US West	46⅞	46⅞
United Tech	55	55⅞
Unocal Corp	28⅞	28⅞
Upjohn	27⅞	27⅞
VF Corp	42⅞	41⅞
WMX Tech	31	31
Wal-Mart Stores	24⅛	24⅛
Warner-Lambert	67⅞	67⅞
Wells Fargo	116⅞	115⅞
Westinghouse El	14⅛	14⅛
Weyerhaeuser	38⅞	38⅞
Whirlpool	63⅛	63⅞
Whitman	14⅛	14⅞
Winn Dixie	60⅞	60⅞
Woolworth	25⅞	25⅞
Wrigley (Wm) Jr	42	41⅛
Xerox	72⅞	73



SIMON WALKER

Colin Hope plans to grow T&N through acquisitions; he said a link with Lucas would have "inevitable logic"

T&N aims to save cash with scrip offer

By Patricia Tehan

T&N, the engine components group, hopes to make savings of £64.5 million this year by persuading shareholders to take an enhanced scrip alternative to a cash payment. The company is offering a scrip worth 16.275p, 50 per cent higher than the 10.85p cash dividend. The full dividend — equivalent to last year's — is being paid at the interim stage.

Colin Hope, chairman, said the company had had "quite a serious" advanced corporation tax problem and the scrip offer would preserve cash. There would be a £50 million cash saving on the dividend cost and £14.5 million tax benefit, which would help to reduce gearing by eight percentage points, to 72 per cent.

T&N lifted pre-tax profits by 13.5 per cent, to £39.4 million, in the first half of the year and outlined plans to *grow through acquisitions*. Sales were 8.7 per cent higher at £774.5 million, despite a falling car market in Europe. Earnings increased from 4p to 5p a share.

Mr Hope fuelled speculation that T&N will link up with Lucas Industries, its fellow components group, saying there would be "inevitable logic" to a tie-up. But he is thought unlikely to launch a hostile bid.

Mr Hope said: "We think size in itself is important to be successful. If you want to be a world player, you've got to be big." Over the past eight years, T&N had concentrated on developing ten product lines to leadership positions. Now the company was more efficient than its rivals.

NEW ISSUES

Anglian Water Wrts	100½	+2½
Bakyrchik (120)	129	...
BT (Partly Paid) (150)	174	-3½
Crockfords (90)	95	...
EFM Small Comp Tst	100	+1
EFM Small Comp Wts	53	...
Explaura A	4	...
Finsbury Smaller Co C	155	...
For & Col Special Inc	68½	...
For & Col Spl Capital	44	+½
For & Col Spl Units	112	+1
Lazard Hi Inc Tst (100)	108	+1
Raglan Warrants	33	+1
RIGHTS ISSUES		
Albrighton n/p (17)	1¼	...
Arden n/p (21)	16	...
CRH n/p (Ir260)	27	...
Crockfords n/p (90)	2½	-1½
Lilleshall n/p (125)	20	-3
Rolls Royce n/p (130)	16½	-½
Usborne n/p (19)	¼	-¼
Wickes n/p (86)	10	...

MAJOR CHANGES

RISES:	
Lloyds	555p (+10p)
Whitbread 'A'	557p (+10p)
Blue Circle	284p (+14p)
Calor Group	286p (+10p)
Slough Estates	237p (+10p)
Ocean Group	335p (+10p)
FALLS:	
Smithkline	429p (-15½p)
Rothmans 'B'	675p (-21p)
TI	358p (-10p)
Utd Friendly	677p (-11p)
Euro Disney	710p (-23p)
Blenheim Group	333p (-22p)
Thomson Corp	715p (-20p)

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BTR gloomy on economy despite 10% profits rise

By Philip Pangalos

BTR, the industrial conglomerate, cast doubt on the strength of the economic recovery, issuing a cautious trading statement as it reported a 10 per cent rise in first-half profits and a big disposal. Norman Ireland, chairman, said: "The outlook remains uncertain for any meaningful upturn in the second half."

Foreign currency gains enabled BTR to increased pre-tax profits to £602 million, from £548 million, in the six months to June 30. Sales advanced 13 per cent, to £4.87 billion, again largely owing to currency gains. "We're not pessimistic, but we're cautious," said Alan Jackson, chief executive. "Continental Europe is still falling and that's quite an important area for us. The jury is still out on UK recovery."

BTR said productivity and efficiency drives had added £60 million to profits during the six months. But it had had to pay out £14 million in rationalisation and redundancy money. Its ability to generate cash was demonstrated by a 23 per cent reduction in gearing, from 69 to 61 per cent.

Earnings increased from *10.6p adjusted to 11.3p a share*. Shareholders will receive an increased interim dividend of 4.95p, up from 4.65p, with an enhanced scrip alternative worth 7.425p a share.

The results were accompanied by news of the sale of Newey & Eyre, a UK electrical distribution business, to Hagemeyer, a Dutch trading group, for a maximum of £165 million. BTR will receive £110 million in cash initially, with another £55 million depending on Newey & Eyre's *performance over the next two years*. The proceeds will be used to reduce BTR's debts. Newey & Eyre had sales of £355 million last year.

Geoff Allum, at NatWest Securities, is maintaining his full-year pre-tax profits forecast at £1.25 billion. The shares closed 17½p lower at 381½p.

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Workforce to be cut by 2,700

Deutsche Aerospace Airbus, the Daimler-Benz subsidiary and German partner in the Airbus consortium, plans to cut 2,700 jobs from its 20,600 workforce by the end of 1995. The cuts are in response to weak demand for new aircraft.

Airbus Industrie yesterday criticised EC governments for not making enough use of a 1992 pact with the US on airline subsidies. Michel Dechelotte, the assistant to the chairman of Airbus, said the lack of funding for research and development undermined the consortium's ability to compete with Boeing in the manufacture of 500- and 600-seat aircraft.

Scotia listing

Scotia Holdings, an international pharmacy company that specialises in research, is to seek a stock exchange listing. It plans to raise £30 million by issuing shares at between 260p and 290p each. The price wil be fixed in mid-October.

Alliance hitch

Alliance Resources has scrapped the Canadian portion of its rights issue, blaming incorrect legal advice for the failure to comply with Canadian securities law.

Manders gain

Manders, the paints and inks group, said pre-tax profits rose 21 per cent to £4.9 million in the six months to June. The interim dividend is 2.9p (2.6p).

LEGAL & PUBLIC NOTICES 071-782 7344

PUBLIC NOTICES

REVERTER OF SITES ACT 1987
EXTINGUISHMENT OF RIGHTS
ST MARY'S CHURCH OF ENGLAND SCHOOL
WEST HORSLEY

WHEREAS:
1 By a Conveyance/Deed dated 12 August 1862 between the Reverend Henry Sigismund Cerjat and the Lord Bishop of Winchester the site and buildings of what became known as St Mary's Church of England School West Horsley was granted to the Bishop of Winchester as trustee pursuant to Section 2 of the School Sites Act 1841
2. The said school premises ceased to be used for the purpose of a voluntary school in 1989 and pursuant to Section 1 of the Reverter of Sites Act 1987 a trust for sale has arisen in respect of the said premises
NOW TAKE NOTICE
1. The Diocese of Guildford have made application to the Secretary of State for Education for the inclusion of the above named school in a future Order under Section 2 of the Education Act 1973, the purpose of the Order is to allow the assets of the foundation to be used for the benefit of new and continuing schools of the same denomination within the Diocese. The same Order will extinguish the rights of any beneficiary under the trust for sale.
2. Any beneficiary who wishes to oppose the extinguishment of his rights should notify his claim in writing to Messrs Lee Bolton & Lee, solicitors (ref. 236/PFBB/NJR/90076911) The Sanctuary Westminster London SW1P 3JT not later than the 13th day of December 1993.

CHARITY COMMISSION
Charity - Jane Hammond Trust
The Commissioners propose to make a Scheme for this charity. A copy of the draft Scheme can be obtained by sending a stamped addressed envelope to St Alban's House, 57/60 Haymarket, London, SW1Y 4QX, quoting reference DCY-156703-CD-LDN3. Comments or representations can be made within one month from today.

CHARITY COMMISSION
Charity - The Chaseley Trust
The Commissioners propose to make a Scheme for this charity. A copy of the draft Scheme can be seen at Chaseley, South Cliff, Eastbourne, BN20 7JH, or obtained by sending a stamped addressed envelope to St. Alban's House, 57/60 Haymarket, London SW1Y 4QX quoting reference MOT-211714A/1-CD(Ldn1). Comments or representations can be made within one month from today.

NO. 12282 of 1992
IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE
IN BANKRUPTCY
RE: CRAIG DANIELS T/A CASTLE PROMOTIONS
BETWEEN: EDWARD CAVENDISH & SONS LIMITED Petitioning Creditor
and
CRAIG DANIELS T/A CASTLE PROMOTIONS Debtor
TO Craig Daniels carrying on business as Castle Promotions (firm) of 18 Sunderland Terrace, Bayswater, London W2 5PA.
TAKE NOTICE that a Bankruptcy Petition has been presented against you in this Court by Edward Cavendish & Sons Limited on 1 Park Court, Abbey Park, Romsey, Hampshire SO51 9AQ as the Court has ordered by publication in both "The London Gazette" and "The Times" Newspapers of the presentation of such Petition and the time and place fixed for hearing the Petition shall be deemed to be service of the Petition upon you.
The said Petition will be heard at this Court on:
Dated 13 day of October 1993
Time: 11.00 hours
Place: Room TM11, Royal Courts of Justice, The Strand, London.
IMPORTANT
If you do not attend the hearing of the Petition the Court may make a Bankruptcy Order against you in your absence.
The Petition can be inspected by you on an Application at this Court, whose Offices are at The Royal Courts of Justice, The Strand, London
DATED this 10th day of September 1993

CANCER RESEARCH CAMPAIGN
Greater London Flag Day, 3 June 1993 result. Metropolitan Area - Gross £59,792.73p, Expenses £2013.80p, Net £57,778.93p. City Area - Gross £3717.89, Expenses £126.22p, Net £3592.67. This generous help in our fight against cancer is much appreciated.

CHARITY COMMISSION
Charity - Reginald Hugh Charles Hammond Legacy to The Save the Children Fund
The Charity Commissioners have made a Scheme for this charity. A copy can be obtained by sending a stamped addressed envelope to St Alban's House, 57/60 Haymarket, London, SW1Y 4QX, quoting reference number DCY 156703-CD-LDN3.

CHARITY COMMISSION
Charity - Leslie George Foster Bailey's Will Trust
The Charity Commissioners have made a Scheme for this charity. A copy can be obtained by sending a stamped addressed envelope to St Alban's House, 57/60 Haymarket, London, SW1Y 4QX, quoting reference number DCY-156793-CD-LDN3.

LEGAL NOTICES

BARCLAYS EXCHANGE MANAGEMENT LIMITED
Company Number: 2156189
(IN MEMBERS' VOLUNTARY LIQUIDATION)
NOTICE TO THE CREDITORS OF THE ABOVE COMPANY
On 6 September 1993 the above company was placed in members' voluntary liquidation and Anthony Victor Lomas of Price Waterhouse, No 1 London Bridge, London SE1 9QL was appointed liquidator by the shareholders.
The liquidator gives notice (pursuant to Rule 4.182A of the Insolvency Rules 1986) that the creditors of the above company must send details, in writing, of any claim against the company to the liquidator, at the above address by 11 October 1993 which is the last day for proving claims. The liquidator also gives notice that he will then make a final distribution to creditors and that a creditor who does not make a claim by the date mentioned will not be included in the distribution.
The company is able to pay all its known creditors in full.
Anthony Victor Lomas, Liquidator

BUILDING CLEANSING AND GRAFFITI REMOVAL LIMITED
Notice is hereby given, pursuant to Section 98 of the Insolvency Act 1986 that a Meeting of Creditors of the above-named Company will be held at 81 Station Road, Marlow, Bucks SL7 1NS on Friday 17th September 1993 at 3.00 pm for the purposes mentioned in Sections 100 and 101 of the said Act.
A list of names and addresses of the company's creditors will be available for inspection free of charge at 81 Station Road, Marlow, Buckinghamshire, SL7 1NS the two business days before the date of the meeting.
Dated 8/9/1993
Mr T.E. Wetherill, Director.

Contact Medical International Ltd
Company Number: 2216658
Notice is hereby given pursuant to Section 98 of the Insolvency Act 1986 that a meeting of the creditors of the above named company will be held at The Stoke Hotel, 103 Stoke Road, Guildford, Surrey GU1 4JN on 24 September 1993 at 11.30 a.m. for the purposes mentioned in Sections 100 and 101 of the said Act, the appointment of a Liquidator and a Liquidation Committee.
Mr O B Coakley of Leach Bright & Partners, Barratt House, Chestnut Avenue, Guildford, Surrey, GU2 5HG is qualified to act as an Insolvency Practitioner in relation to the company and will furnish creditors with such information concerning the company's affairs as is reasonably required.
Proxies to be used at the meeting must be lodged with the company's registered office at Leach Bright & Partners, Barratt House, Chestnut Avenue, Guildford, Surrey, GU2 5HG not later than 12 noon on 23 September 1993
BY ORDER OF THE BOARD
Date: 26 August 1993
M.R. Green, Director.

SHOEI EUROPE LIMITED
(In Members' Voluntary Liquidation)
NOTICE TO CREDITORS On 30 August 1993 the above company was placed into Members' Voluntary Liquidation and Martin Fishman of Arthur Andersen, P.O. Box 55, 1 Surrey Street, London WC2R 2NT, was appointed Liquidator by the Members.
The Liquidator gives notice pursuant to Rule 4.182A of the Insolvency Rules 1986 that the creditors of the company must send details, in writing, of any claim against the company to Martin Fishman c/o Arthur Andersen, P O Box 55 1 Surrey Street, London WC2R 2NT by 5 November 1993.
The Liquidator also gives notice under the provision of Rule 4.182A(6) that on 10 December 1993 he intends to make a final return to creditors who have submitted claims by 5 November 1993 and that there will be no further distribution to creditors.
The company is able to pay all of its known creditors in full.
Dated 6th September 1993
M Fishman, Liquidator.

THE INSOLVENCY ACT 1986
D J Publicity Limited
(In Liquidation)
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, pursuant to Rule 4.106 of the Insolvency Rules 1986 that on 7 September 1993 I was appointed Joint Liquidator of the above named company which is in Creditors' Voluntary Winding Up, by the Members and by the Creditors of the Company.
Creditors who have not already done so should submit their claims in writing to me at the following address: 5 Park Court, Pyrford Road, West Byfleet, Surrey KT14 6SD.
R D Hewitt, Joint Liquidator

RE: COLBEYS LIMITED
AND
THE INSOLVENCY ACT 1986
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, pursuant to Section 98 of the Insolvency Act 1986, that a Meeting of the Creditors of the above named Company will be held at Treviot House, 186-192 High Rd Ilford, Essex IG1 1LQ, on Thursday the 23rd September 1993, at 10 00 o'clock in the forenoon, for the purposes mentioned in Sections 99, 100 and 101 of the said Act
A list of the names and addresses of the Company's Creditors will be available for inspection free of charge at the offices of A Segal & Co, Treviot House, 186-192 High Road, Ilford, Essex, IG1 1LQ between 10.00 a.m. and 4 00 p.m. on from Tuesday 21st September 1993
Dated this 10th day of August 1993
J R Colbey, Director

Notice Under Section 46 of The Insolvency Act 1986
R K BOUTIQUES LTD.
Registered Number: 1109301.
Former Company Names: Gamestas Limited. Trading Name: Rinky's.
AND LOCBRAY LIMITED
Registered Number: 1235287
Former Company Names: None. Trading Name: Little Rinky's.
Notice is hereby given that on 2 September 1993, A D Lewis and J A Talbot of Arthur Andersen, PO Box 55, 1 Surrey Street, London WC2R 2NT were appointed Joint Administrative Receivers of the above companies by UCO Bank under the powers conferred in a debenture dated 22 November 1991 containing fixed and floating charges over the assets and undertakings of the companies.
Dated this 2 day of September 1993
A D Lewis and J A Talbot
Joint Administrative Receivers

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE RECEIVER
FLINTCLOSE PROPERTY INVESTMENTS LIMITED
Registered Number: 1738802
Former company name: Carter Property Investments Limited. Trading name: Carter Property Investments Limited. Nature of business: Real Estate. Trade classification: 35. Date of appointment of administrative receivers: 31 August 1993. Name of person appointing the administrative receivers: Barclays Bank Plc. Joint Administrative Receivers: Peter Norman Spratt and Alan John Barrett (office holder nos: 6278 and 1098). Address: Price Waterhouse Thames Court, 1 Victoria Street, Windsor, Berkshire SL4 1HB.

The Insolvency Act 1986
R.M.K. RESINS LIMITED
(In Liquidation)
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Maurice Raymond Dorrington, of Poppleton & Appleby, 4 Charterhouse Square, London, EC1M 6EN was appointed Liquidator of the said Company by the members and creditors on 1st September 1993.
Dated this 1st day of September 1993.
M R Dorrington, Liquidator.

LEGAL, PUBLIC, COMPANY & PARLIAMENTARY NOTICES
TO PLACE ALL YOUR ANNOUNCEMENTS PLEASE CALL DEBRA GYNN
TEL: 071 782 7344
or
FAX: 071 481 9313

NOTICE OF (1) ENTRY OF CONFIRMATION ORDER, (2) PLAN OF REORGANIZATION BECOMING EFFECTIVE, AND (3) PROCEDURE FOR RECEIPT OF DISTRIBUTIONS BY HOLDERS OF BEARER SECURITIES

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT:

On May 27, 1993, the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of New York entered an order confirming The LTV Second Modified Joint Plan of Reorganization dated February 26, 1993, as amended (the "Plan"), filed by The LTV Corporation ("LTV") and sixty-six affiliates. On June 28, 1993, the Plan became effective. Holders of the following bearer securities are entitled to a distribution under the Plan. Surrender of the bearer securities is a required precondition to receipt of the holder's distribution under the Plan. Society National Bank (the "Distribution Agent") has been designated as the agent to exchange the following outstanding bearer securities for the distribution provided by the Plan. To receive the appropriate distribution, holders of the following bearer securities must surrender the certificates for their securities to the Distribution Agent, together with a properly completed and signed Letter of Transmittal and all supporting documents required by the instructions thereto. Contact the Distribution Agent at (216) 737-5300 or at the following address for a copy of the Letter of Transmittal and instructions. All holders of registered securities by these or other issuers should have received Letters of Transmittal and Instructions by mail.

Society National Bank
P.O. Box 93567
Cleveland, OH 44101-5567

Dated: September 10, 1993

The LTV Corporation

- PARENT GROUP

CUSIP	DESCRIPTION
502306AA1	LTV INTERNATIONAL NV 5% GUARANTEED (SUBORDINATED) DEBENTURES DUE 1988
502306AC7	LTV INTERNATIONAL NV 10 ¾% CONVERTIBLE BEARER NOTES DUE ON NOVEMBER 1, 1996
760268AB8	REPSTEEL OVERSEAS FINANCE NV 11 ½% CONVERTIBLE SECURED BEARER NOTES DUE MAY 1, 1996

STEEL GROUP

CUSIP	DESCRIPTION
074876AH6	J&L STEEL CORPORATION FIRST MORTGAGE BONDS SERIES I 8 ¾% DUE 2005 & RELATED DEBT - BEAVER COUNTY IDA PCRB 1975 SERIES A
074876AJ2	J&L STEEL CORPORATION FIRST MORTGAGE BONDS SERIES M 8 ⅞% DUE 2005 & RELATED DEBT - BEAVER COUNTY IDA PCRB 1975 SERIES B
074876BV4	J&L STEEL CORPORATION FIRST MORTGAGE BONDS SERIES P 11% DUE 1990 & RELATED DEBT - BEAVER COUNTY IDA PCRB SERIES 1980
074876BX0	J&L STEEL CORPORATION FIRST MORTGAGE BONDS SERIES Q 12% DUE 2010 & RELATED DEBT - BEAVER COUNTY IDA PCRB SERIES 1980
677525CT2	J&L STEEL CORPORATION FIRST MORTGAGE BONDS SERIES K 8 ⅞% DUE 2005 & RELATED DEBT - OHIO AIR QUALITY REVENUE BONDS SERIES 1975-1
677525EQ6	J&L STEEL CORPORATION FIRST MORTGAGE BONDS SERIES R 11 ¾% DUE 2000 & RELATED DEBT - OHIO AIR QUALITY DEVELOPMENT REVENUE BONDS SERIES 1980-B
677525FA0	J&L STEEL CORPORATION FIRST MORTGAGE BONDS SERIES S 12% DUE 1998 & RELATED DEBT - OHIO AIR QUALITY DEVELOPMENT REVENUE BONDS SERIES 1980-B
677525CC9	LEASE RELATING TO STATE OF OH PCRB 1975 SERIES A (RSC PROJECT) (6.7% DUE 5/1/87)
677658DQ6	LEASE - STATE OF OH WATER DEVELOPMENT REVENUE BONDS SER 1973-1 (JONES & LAUGHLIN STEEL CORP PROJECT)
677660AM4	LOAN AGREEMENT RELATING TO STATE OF OHIO POLLUTION CONTROL REVENUE BONDS 1979 SERIES E (REPUBLIC STEEL PROJECT) 7 ⅛% DUE OCTOBER 1, 1999
677525FB8	J&L STEEL CORPORATION FIRST MORTGAGE BONDS SERIES T 14% DUE 2010 & RELATED DEBT - OHIO AIR QUALITY DEVELOPMENT REVENUE BONDS SERIES 1980-B
677525FC6	J&L STEEL CORPORATION FIRST MORTGAGE BONDS SERIES U 12 ¾% DUE 2011 & RELATED DEBT - OHIO AIR QUALITY DEVELOPMENT REVENUE BONDS SERIES 1980-B
074876AX1	LEASE - BEAVER CTY INDUS DEVEL AUTH POLLUTION CONTROL REVENUE BONDS 1972 SERIES A (JONES & LAUGHLIN PROJECT)
271613BM2	LOAN AGREEMENT RELATING TO CITY OF EAST CHICAGO, INDIANA, POLLUTION CONTROL REVENUE BONDS SERIES 1982 (JONES & LAUGHLIN STEEL INC PROJECT)
452004AA2	LOAN AGREEMENT RELATING TO IL ENVIRONMENTAL FACILITIES FINANCING AUTHORITY PCRB 1979 SERIES F (REPUBLIC STEEL REVENUE BONDS SER A PROJECT) 7 ⅛% DUE OCT 1, 1999
452004AB0	LOAN AGREEMENT RELATING TO IL ENVIRONMENTAL FACILITIES FINANCING AUTHORITY PCRB 1979 SERIES F (REPUBLIC STEEL PROJECT) 7.3% DUE OCT 1, 2004
452004AC8	LOAN AGREEMENT RELATING TO IL ENVIRONMENTAL FACILITIES FINANCING AUTHORITY PCRB 1979 SERIES F (REPUBLIC STEEL PROJECT) 7.4% DUE OCT 1, 2009
452015AX8	REPUBLIC STEEL CORP CONSTRUC FINANC & INSTALL SALES AGREE - IL INDUS POLL CONT FINANC AUTH POLL CONT REVENUE BONDS 1975 SER C
677525CA3	LEASE RELATING TO STATE OF OH PCRB 1975 SERIES A (RSC PROJECT) (7 ⅞% DUE 5/1/00)
677525EA1	LOAN AGREEMENT RELATING TO STATE OF OHIO POLLUTION CONTROL REVENUE BONDS 1980 SERIES G (REPUBLIC STEEL PROJECT)
677658PO4	REPUBLIC STEEL CORPORATION LEASE - STATE OF OH WATER DEVELOPMENT REVENUE BONDS SER 1972-1
677660AP7	LOAN AGREEMENT RELATING TO STATE OF OHIO POLLUTION CONTROL REVENUE BONDS 1979 SERIES E (REPUBLIC STEEL PROJECT) 7.3% DUE OCTOBER 1, 2004
677660AQ5	LOAN AGREEMENT RELATING TO STATE OF OHIO POLLUTION CONTROL REVENUE BONDS 1979 SERIES E (REPUBLIC STEEL PROJECT) 7.4% DUE OCTOBER 1, 2009
NONE	REPSTEEL OVERSEAS FINANCE NV 11 ½% GUARANTEED BONDS DUE 1988
NONE	AGREEMENT OF SALE RELATING TO STATE OF AL INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT BOARD OF CITY OF GADSDEN PCRB (REPUBLIC STEEL PROJECT) 1975 SERIES B

Supermarkets need not fear threat from Aladdin's caves

The arrival of Costco heralds a shopping revolution in Britain that the nation's leading retailers want to quell, Susan Gilchrist reports



Service with a smile as the shopping is checked out at Sainsbury's

Just off the M25 in Thurrock, Essex, stands a half-finished warehouse set in a 13-acre site of scrubland. The building has a roof, but only a couple of walls. There are the beginnings of a car park, but the tarmac surface has yet to be laid.

It is a seemingly innocuous development, but it has sent shock waves through the food retailing industry and prompted an unprecedented vitriolic reaction from the main supermarket groups. For the site is set to become the birthplace of a revolution in shopping when Costco, the American retailer, opens Britain's first warehouse club there in November.

J. Sainsbury, Tesco and Safeway have joined forces against the young pretender in a campaign that has gone as far as the High Court. Next month, the two sides are expected to lock horns in the courtroom again as the supermarkets attempt to overturn planning permission granted by Thurrock council for Costco to develop the site.

In a bitter public wrangle, the views of both parties have been extensively — and loudly — aired. The supermarkets argue the planning consent is invalid as the council wrongly assessed Costco as a wholesaler rather than a retailer. Costco says it expects 70 per cent of its business will be to wholesale rather than retail customers. The supermarkets want the case heard quickly so they can stop the Thurrock site opening; Costco insists it will open in November, whatever happens. Before the bigger battle for the hearts, and wallets, of Britain's shoppers has begun, the two are fighting it out in the courts.

So what is the fuss all about? Are Britain's food retailers, which have enjoyed a golden decade of ever-expanding margins and insatiable consumer demand, about to fall on barren, unprofitable times? Or are they throwing a childish tantrum, engaging in an undignified and needless food fight?

Paul Moulton, managing director of Costco in Britain, has no doubts about the answer: "We always expected opposition. But we have never experienced anything like this, where three companies with such a substantial market share have gone to such lengths."

His views are echoed by Nurdin & Peacock, the cash and carry operator, which is launching a warehouse club chain in Croydon next March. "We think there is something sinister about three companies, with 40 per cent of the food retail market and combined sales of £20 billion, getting together to threaten a business that hasn't even started yet," a spokesman said.

These companies may dismiss the threat, but warehouse clubs have taken America by storm. Unheard of 20 years ago, they have expanded rapidly into a £23 billion market, which is currently the fastest-growing sector in the American retail industry. Costco is set to become the biggest player in that market, after its imminent merger with Price Club, a rival operator.

The outlets are vast warehouses, often up to 100,000 sq ft, which look more like empty aircraft hangars than a retail store. The goods, usually in boxes and available only in bulk, are piled up on wooden pallets 40 ft high. The interior is a million miles away from the immaculate and user-friendly supermarkets British shoppers have become accustomed to. While the superstores here stock up to 20,000 lines, warehouse clubs sell about 4,000 lines only, many of them non-food products. The range includes everything from computers to cornflakes, televisions to tyres, but always leading branded goods. However, the real attraction of this Aladdin's cave of products is price. In exchange for a membership fee of between $25 and $35, American warehouse clubs offer discounts of up to 30 per cent on standard high street prices. And Mr Moulton is promising similar bargains over here.

And that is what is really rattling the main superstore operators. The threat posed by these clubs is not one of market share, but of price. Warehouse clubs are yet another force imposing downward pressure on the price ceiling. Most people in the industry believe this pressure is not going to go away as the economy recovers. "The whole world has shifted towards value," Mr Moulton said. "That is a lesson that was learnt during recession, but it is one that will not be forgotten."

He believes the retail format he is pioneering will be limited in its impact on the supermarkets' market share. "In the US, warehouse clubs have not got more than a 6 per cent share of any product category. It does not make economic sense for the supermarkets to react in this way." Nurdin & Peacock agrees. "We will have no direct competition, but we will end up taking a slither of business from several different retailers."

Philip Dorgan, an analyst at Goldman Sachs, has calculated that even if 30 clubs open over the next five years, the supermarkets stand to lose only £600 million in food retail sales — equivalent to less than 1 per cent of the market. He believes clubs will be used to supplement the weekly supermarket trip rather than as a substitute. Indeed, many British food shoppers may be deterred by the prospect of buying a limited range of goods in bulk.

With so many question marks hanging over the new format, why are Britain's leading supermarkets reacting in such a heavy-handed manner? Understandably, they do not want to repeat the mistakes made by their counterparts in America, which stood idly by and let the warehouse clubs expand. If they had moved faster, the clubs would not have encroached on such a large portion of the supermarkets' business and flourished into the billion-dollar industry they are today. Food retailing in Britain has always been a highly competitive business, and steeped in such a background, J. Sainsbury, Tesco and Safeway are not going to let Costco come in and open up ten sites before they respond. They may have been clumsy in their approach, but their competitive instincts are sound.

The problem for the supermarket groups is that they are facing intense pressure on all sides from a plethora of alternative low-price formats. Discounters such as Kwik Save, which sell a limited range of branded goods, have spread from northern England and Scotland to the superstores' heartlands in the South. Foreign discount formats such as those operated by Aldi (Germany) and Netto (Denmark), which offer cheap but little-known tertiary brands, are also thriving. Verdict, the retail analyst, predicts the discount sector will increase its share of the grocery market from 9 to 14 per cent by 1996. As with the warehouse clubs, the impact will probably be disproportionate to the size of the market share, forcing all food retailers to lower prices. While the big three supermarkets all dismiss the importance of discounters, they are all quick to claim that they are cheaper than each other and have launched a blitz of price promotions and special offers.

The superstores are also facing increased competition from each other. The big chains are planning to spend more than £2 billion over the next year, opening new stores, while the market is expected to be flat. As saturation increases, the supermarkets will find themselves coming head to head with each other, more often in a battle where again price will be the most telling weapon. Mr Dorgan said the food retailers have been playing a game of musical chairs for the past five years, watching each other opening more and more space, and nervously waiting for the moment when the music stops.

The arrival of warehouse clubs may have brought that moment closer. The supermarkets will just have to hope they are the ones sitting comfortably when it comes.

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Cream of the sodas

IF Cadbury Schweppes ever seriously considered a bid for United Biscuits, it was sensible to decline when such attractive targets lay in America. At an exit p/e ratio of more than 18, the $334 million acquisition of A&W Brands is not cheap, particularly since it comes with just $11 million in net assets. But it gives Cadbury a vastly improved position in the American soft drinks market, a market worth a startling $47 billion in annual sales. Cadbury's trading margin in its American operations is 14.1 per cent, the highest in the group.

The cost of A&W will dilute earnings immediately, but soft drinks businesses are relative simple to rationalise. The manufacturing process for concentrates is hardly high-tech while franchisees do the messy tasks of bottling and distribution. After the deal, Cadbury will have 5.6 per cent of the American soft drink market with many of the leading non-cola brands, which should allow it to wrest fine terms from its franchisees.

The stake in Dr Pepper is unlikely to yield such rapid gains. Dr Pepper's rapid poison pill deployment suggests it is no mood for friendly talks about future collaboration. If this door has been slammed, Cadbury could still make a bid some time and the investment should yield a decent return as Dr Pepper repays heavy debts in the next four years.

Cadbury has a record of paying high prices for businesses and making them work as it did with Trebor and Bassett in the eighties. The A&W acquisition is one of the most promising corporate developments the City has seen this year, and the sort of deal that rights issues should be used for, rather than propping up ailing balance sheets.

BTR

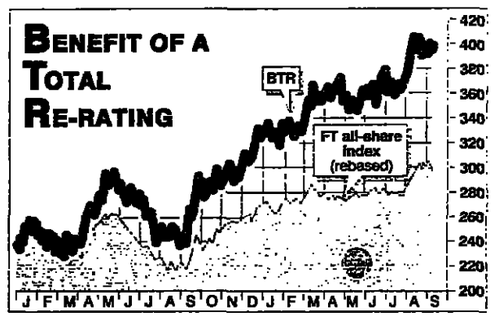
CAUTION is not what investors expect from BTR, however mild. The group's downbeat statement and mixed results rattled investors who have chased the shares in the expectation of continuing gains from Hawker Siddeley.

The half-year figures do, however, justify Alan Jackson's reticence. Without currency gains, pre-interest profits would have fallen 4 per cent, because economic recovery is proving so sluggish.

In the second half, the downturn in BTR's continental European businesses could accelerate. Its automotive businesses, in particular, will be hit by destocking by motor manufacturers. In the past, BTR has relied on acquisition provisions to turn round new subsidiaries, and it utilised £80 million in the first half. But these are dwindling and the costs of future European reorganisation will directly hit profits.

The market also took exception to BTR's gratuitous decision to offer an enhanced scrip dividend. The group did not write off any advance corporation tax in 1992 and is unlikely to suffer a large surplus this year. It also has equity warrants worth £1.8 billion in issue, enough to repay almost all existing debt. The group does not need to raise £167 million more.

BTR's has many strengths, particularly cash management and high capital spending, but its shares, trading on a p/e ratio of 17, already reflect them.



British Gas

THERE were few surprises in British Gas's half-year figures, but it was reassuring to see both overseas operations and exploration and production meeting expectations and offsetting intensifying domestic competition. In truth, the production profile of British Gas's e&p arm rises so steeply until 1997 that strong profit growth is almost assured.

The prospects for British Gas have brightened since the MMC report, even though the trade department is unlikely to decide soon how to implement the findings. There is every chance the government will refuse to open the domestic market to competition, because bills could rise. The imposition of VAT on domestic fuel is causing enough heat and the government may have no wish to compound the acrimony. The DTI may even sidestep the MMC's recommendation to force British Gas to divest its trading arm for the same reason. If these two proposals are dropped, British Gas could claim a resounding victory. It could celebrate with a rise in the dividend, perhaps 6 per cent to 15p, even though this would keep its cover low.

Glaxo

Glaxo is beginning to wean itself off Zantac, but the process is not nearly fast enough for the market's liking. Zantac sales as a proportion of group turnover fell by 3 percentage points in the year to June, but they were still 44 per cent of the total. This is hardly comfortable while we await a court judgment over Zantac's patent.

At least the group has a stable of new products that is growing fast. Imigran, the anti-migraine drug, is looking increasingly promising. Sales were £116 million, including £37 million from America where it was launched in March. If this rate of growth continues, sales could top £300 million this year. While the shares are unlikely to recover far until Zantac's fate is favourably resolved, the promise of newer compounds means any recovery will be even sharper if that happens.

RTZ

RTZ is an acknowledged master at mining, cost control, and surprise. An 18 per cent rise to £186 million in adjusted net profits for the half year to June, during which metal prices fell about its ears, underscores the point. So too does the advance from £236 million to £315 million in cash flow from continuing businesses.

Metal prices are low and many of the less efficient mining groups have their backs to the wall, so the time to pounce is near. The sale of all industrial interests, which will generate £900 million by the year end, leaves RTZ solely focused on mining. The balance sheet could hardly be stronger with gearing heading down to as little as 14 per cent.

Consider, too, RTZ's enthusiasm for coal in America as a new business area — and everything points to a very large deal in the wings.

THE TIMES CITY DIARY

Rapid result from Glaxo

OPENING his first results presentation to City analysts as chief executive of Glaxo, Richard Sykes yesterday morning had to make the embarrassing confession of having a blinding migraine and handed over to his finance director. Loyally sticking to his own company's cures, he then left the room to take a single pill of Imigran, the new anti-migraine treatment Glaxo hopes will be as much of a success as its anti-ulcer drug Zantac. Half an hour later, Sykes reappeared looking relieved of all pain to deliver what one analyst described as a "cracking" performance. Sceptics would suggest that the event was carefully staged to demonstrate the super-effectiveness of the company's products. But even naturally suspicious analysts seemed ready to accept that the whole pain-and-recovery drama was genuine.

Chocks away

THE dwindling band of ex-airmen at the London Stock Exchange have become so few that the officers of the exchange's special branch of the Royal Air Force Association are grounding it for good after 32 years. John Safaty, the branch secretary, has written to the surviving 35 members (about half the membership at its best) to inform them. The special branch was one of three, the others being the combined Lords and Commons branch and the Leicestershire Constabulary branch. Safaty tells me the closure was inevitable, given the age profile of its members and the diminishing numbers of people generally at the exchange. But those who have attended the branch's annual dinners at the RAF Club will doubtless be pleased to hear that the event will continue to take place. The next is rostered to lift off on March 10.

Occidental tourist

SIEMENS, the German electrical firm, was so upset at losing the race to supply South Korea with high-speed trains to GEC-Alsthom, despite quoting a lower price, that it is asking for a rerun. Andreas Ziegler, Siemens' project director, said on Wednesday his company wanted the South Koreans to reopen the race for the $2 billion plus deal "from scratch". But Siemens' chances of a rerun have probably been reduced by the intervention yesterday of François Mitterrand, now visiting Korea. The French leader warmly praised the Koreans' wisdom in choosing *Le Train à Grande Vitesse*, and then played the potential trump card of publicly pledging his support for the return of ancient Korean manuscripts plundered by French troops during the last century. Fiendishly cunning these occidentals.



Mitterrand: Korean pledge

Majestic Wines

MAJESTIC Wine Warehouses (City Diary on Monday) was founded by Bill Mullins and Giles Clarke in 1981 through a company that purchased the assets of Majestic Vintners. Esme Johnstone joined the company after the acquisition of Majestic Vintners and became an executive director in 1983.

Station master

RAIL privatisation should hold no fear for Angus Sladen, who earlier this year took over as MD at the once quiet family firm of Barder & Marsh, the Lloyd's underwriter. Sladen, who will today cope with his first syndicate AGMs, is not about to bid for a British Rail franchise. But he is already the owner of a private railway station on his sprawling estate at Glen Carron in the Western Highlands of Scotland.

CARR Kitcat & Aitken's mining team has already lost Andrew Stormonth-Darling, who only joined the firm this year. The sole member of his clan still in the City, he is understood to have resigned on Wednesday to go to T Hoare & Co, the new specialist mining securities firm. Word has it that Carr will release yet more seismic news today, believed to spell the closure of the institutional side of its business and that of its parent, Banque Indosuez.

COLIN NARBROUGH

BUSINESS LETTERS

Pensions as bridge to retirement

From Mr Richard Worsley

Sir, Graham Searjeant's reflections on pensions and the Goode enquiry (September 8) did not refer to one aspect of pensions reform which needs to be high on the agenda — namely, the adaptation of pensions schemes to provide a better transition to retirement.

Occupational pension schemes as presently structured are firmly geared to the core group of employees who remain with an employer until the end of a long full-time career. They do not adequately accommodate the increasing requirement of both employers and individuals for flexible patterns of work and gradual transition into retirement.

The Carnegie Inquiry into the Third Age made several suggestions for addressing these issues, including, for example, partial retirement on part-pension. The task of promoting and enabling non-standard patterns of work needs to be high on the agenda for pension reform.

In many ways, personal pension plans or money purchase schemes respond well to these needs, but they in turn raise other huge problems — including risk and adequacy of information.

The Carnegie Third Age Programme, which is carrying forward the recommendation of the Carnegie Inquiry, has, for all these reasons, called for a review of the way in which these schemes are developed and of the government's role as regulator.

Yours faithfully,
RICHARD WORSLEY
(Director),
Carnegie Third Age Programme,
3 Roberts Street, WC2.

Approaching the final analysis

From Mr A. H. B. Franklin

Sir, Am I too optimistic in hoping that the developing trend for publishing statements such as that issued by Tate & Lyle (September 1) could herald the beginning of the end for City analysts?

It appears to be accepted that the tomes they produce are frequently scanned but seldom read. The success rate of their predictions is far from outstanding but fortunately human memory — particularly in the City — is mercifully short.

In the context of Sir William Gilbert's little list in *The Mikado*, they "never would be missed".

Yours faithfully,
A. H. B. FRANKLIN,
Hill House, Breedons Hill,
Pangbourne, Berkshire.

Tax and commission

From Mr Peter Chadwick

Sir, Lindsay Cook (Comment, August 28) is right to be cynical of the flimsy justification for commission as a more tax-efficient means of remunerating financial advisers than fees. In fact, the tax efficiency of commission is more and more being called into question as Revenue limits on tax-exempt investments increasingly start to bite. Valuable tax allowances such as the maximum Pep limit and maximum pension contribution limits are significantly eroded by commission payments. By contrast, fees paid to professional advisers do not eat into these allowances. Of course, commission payments are not yet fully disclosed, whereas fees are totally transparent.

The apparent anomaly cited by apologists of commission is that professional fees are liable to VAT, whereas commission is not. But, of course, VAT is a value-added tax. The inevitable conclusion is that professional advisers who are remunerated by fees actually add value for their clients, whereas brokers, collecting commission on the sale of an investment product, do not.

Yours faithfully,
PETER CHADWICK,
Grove Park Consultants,
54 Grove Park Road, W4.

Poor harvest

From H. H. Ogilvy

Sir, My August statement in respect of an Orchard account with the Midland Bank reveals an average balance of £3,955 with a standard deviation of £160. Interest credited = £1.25. Is this an all-time low (for interest) or an all-time high (for greed) or both?

Yours faithfully,
H. H. OGILVY,
The Leys Cottage,
Derwent Avenue,
Matlock, Derbyshire.

Charges for water meters too high

From the Deputy Director-General, Office of Water Services

Sir, Mr F. P. Taylor (September 3) thinks that water customers who choose to be metered should pay £40 per year to cover the costs. We agree, but the figure should be £24, not £40.

If they have no choice or have paid "up front" for the meter, they should pay no more than unmetered customers. It is scandalous that the overcharge for many metered customers is greater than Mr Taylor's figure of £40, let alone our figure of £24.

Yours faithfully,
ALAN BOOKER
(Deputy Director-General, Office of Water Services),
Centre City Tower,
7 Hill Street,
Birmingham.

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For transferees to receive this dividend, their transfers must be lodged with the Company's Registrar – Lloyds Bank Registrars, The Causeway, Worthing, West Sussex BN99 6DA, not later than 3pm on 1st October, 1993.

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The Coupon to be presented for the above dividend will be No. 190 which must be deposited for examination at Lloyds Bank Plc, Registrar's Department, Issues Section, Bolsa House, 80 Cheapside, London EC2V 6EE, not later than 1st October, 1993, or may be surrendered through Messieurs Lazard Frères et Cie, 121 boulevard Haussmann, 75008, Paris.

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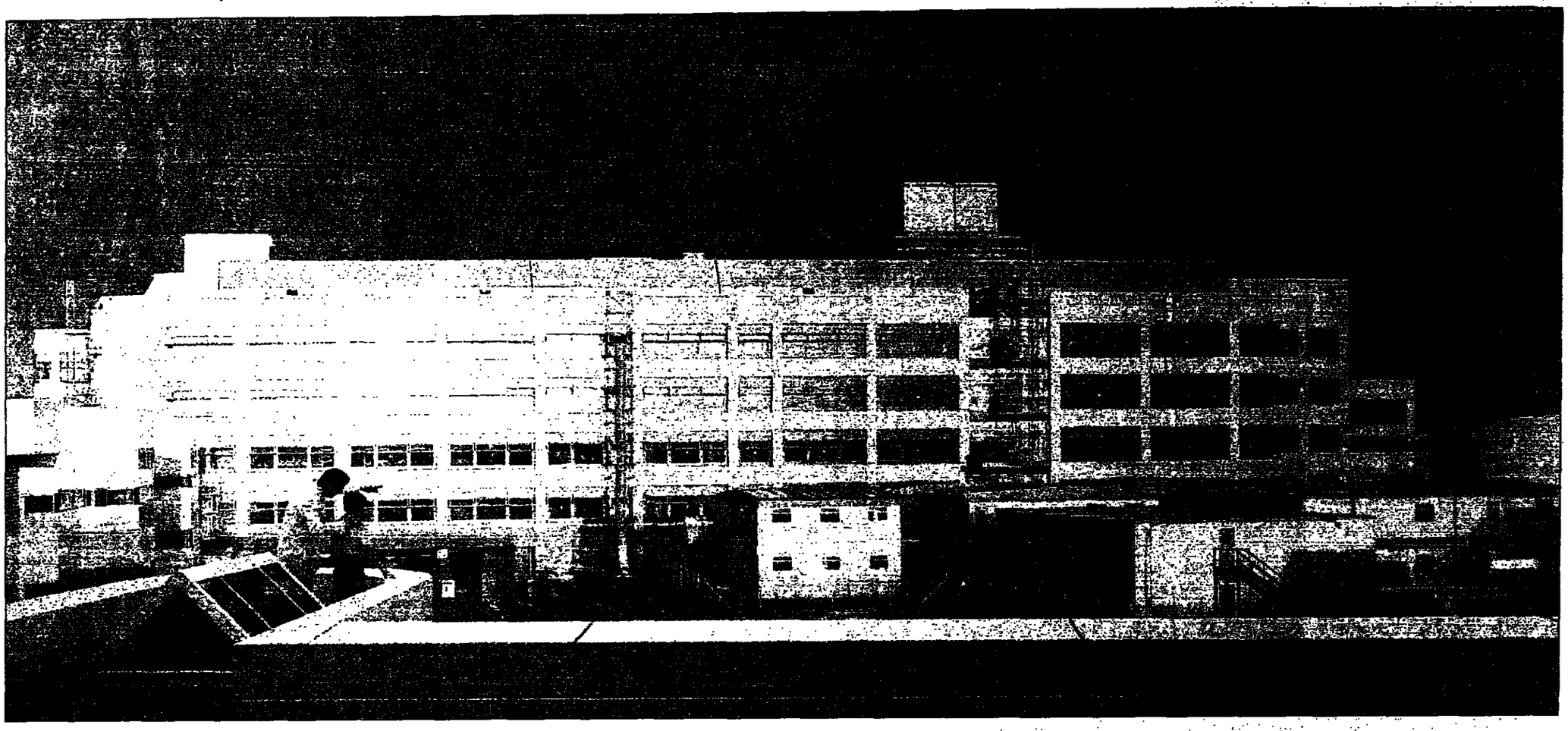
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Secretary

Shell Centre,
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9th September, 1993

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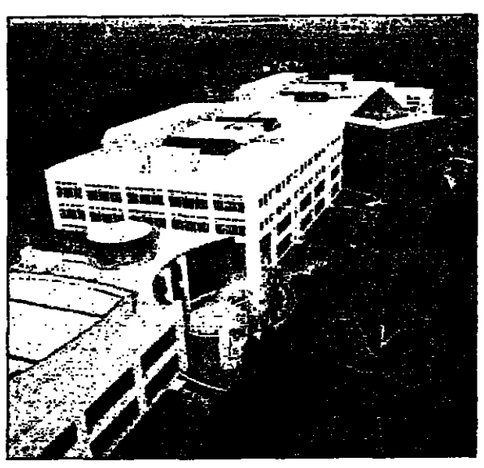
Tomorrow's will depend on our continued ability to finance the costly research and development that lie behind every major therapeutic advance.

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A scientist at Glaxo SpA's research centre in Verona, Italy.

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS
YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE 1993

	1993 Unaudited	1992	% Change
Turnover	£4,930m	£4,096m	20
Trading Profit	£1,525m	£1,287m	18
Profit Before Tax	£1,675m	£1,427m	17
Earnings Per Share	39.9p	34.3p	16
Dividends Per Share	22.0p	17.0p	29
Research and Development	£739m	£595m	24
Capital Expenditure	£650m	£566m	15

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Enterprise delivers higher profits

BY RODNEY HOBSON

RISING gas production and higher sterling oil prices have boosted profits at Enterprise Oil. The exploration group earned £80.6 million before tax in the six months to June, compared with £50.9 million in the first half of 1992.

After-tax figures were improved by a £27 million credit arising from changes in oil and gas tax arrangements. The shares immediately gained 5p, bolstered by a rise in the interim dividend from 6.5p to 9.5p, but gave ground to close only 1p ahead at 476p as investors realised the increase was for technical reasons.

Enterprise proposes an enhanced scrip dividend worth 15.25p to save advance corporation tax and is reversing the ratio between interim and final dividends. The arrangement is intended to apply for this year only.

Enterprise boosted production from 135,000 to 157,430 barrels a day as turnover rose from £239.5 million to £292.7 million. However, Graham Hearne, the chairman, said that the recent fall in oil prices would mean lower earnings in the second half.

Production from the Scott field has begun ahead of schedule and the Nelson field is expected to be brought on stream early next year.

Elf Enterprise, in which Enterprise Oil has a one-third stake, contributed profits of £9.2 million compared with a £500,000 loss last time.

Coats Viyella aims to cut gearing by more than a third

BY SUSAN GILCHRIST

■ Coats Viyella's British activities lifted profits by 50 per cent, with a strong performance by Jaeger and Viyella after the arrival of a new management team

COATS Viyella, the international textile group, is offering holders of its £119 million of convertible preference shares an enhanced share dividend to tempt them to convert to ordinary stock.

The move could reduce the group's gearing, which stands at 62 per cent, by more than a third.

The offer was announced as the group announced a 35 per cent rise in pre-tax profit from £46.4 million to £62.8 million for the six months to the end of June. The result was well ahead of analysts' expectations. Even accounting for benefits from currency movements, pre-tax profit still rose by 22 per cent.

The interim dividend is lifted from 3p to 3.25p, a rise of 8 per cent. However, shareholders are again given the option of a 50 per cent enhanced share dividend worth 4.875p. The estimated £26 million of cash retained by the group will be used to fund expansion in China.

Neville Bain, chief executive of Coats, believes that a significant proportion of preference shareholders will take up the offer to convert to ordinary shares.

Market sources yesterday suggested that about a quarter of shareholders had indicated a willingness to convert. However, Coats can still force conversion if the shares stay above the call price, which will fall from 254p to 251p after dilution from the enhanced dividend.

The preference shares were originally issued in 1989 to fund the acquisition of Tootal.

The best performance in the first half came from the group's British operations, which improved operating profits by 52 per cent to £20.8 million (£13.7 million). The rise was helped by a strong performance from the group's fashion retail operations, Jaeger and Viyella, which boasted a 33 per cent rise in operating profit after the arrival of a new management team and a switch to placing greater emphasis on design.

British profits were also helped by the strength of Marks and Spencer, whom Coats supplies, and the elimination of loss-making businesses. Mr Bain said that for the first time in three years, the group was looking at hiring people in Britain rather than making redundancies.

Losses have also been stemmed in Brazil, which helped return the South American operations to the black with a profit of £2.6 million, against a loss of £0.8 million last time. Mr Bain anticipates that the Brazilian operations will be back in profit next year despite the continuing weakness of consumer purchasing power.

Operating profit more than doubled to £17.4 million in Asia and Australia, boosted by the inclusion for the first time of a contribution from the group's business in India.

The increase in the group's shareholding in the Indian operations from 39.9 per cent to 51 per cent confirms the continuation of Coats's strategy to expand in emerging markets, such as India, China and Mexico, where textile production costs are among the lowest in the world.

The one blackspot was continental Europe, where recession pushed operating profit down by £7.1 million to £11.9 million. Although Mr Bain does not anticipate a swift upturn, he believes Coats is now able to show continued profit growth without relying on economic recovery.

DENZIL McNEELANCE



Neville Bain, left, says most investors will take up the shares offer. He was joined yesterday by Sir David Alliance, chairman, and Fiona Harrison, head of Jaeger

Laing says building activity will fall

BY OUR CITY STAFF

JOHN Laing is maintaining its dividend despite a slight slip in first-half profits, but the construction and housing group is urging a cut in capacity and forecasts a further decline in construction activity as the recession continues to bite.

On a brighter note, Laing Homes in the UK achieved its highest first-half sales figure for five years with conveyances up 71 per cent to 1,088 (635), and the domestic market expected to strengthen during the rest of the year.

"Housing has recovered well in the first eight months of 1993, with sales up 71 per cent, and margins will improve gradually as expensive land is worked out," the company said.

"However, construction margins are very weak because too much capacity is chasing too little demand. We expect that output will continue to fall in 1994 before stabilising in 1995 and that long term demand will not return to the level of the late 1980s before the end of the century."

Pre-tax profits dipped to £5.1 million in the half year to end-June, from £5.6 million last time, as turnover dropped to £590.2 million (£596.8 million).

Martin Laing, chairman, expects the tough conditions to prevail throughout next year and he is urging the industry to reduce its capacity further. "While Laing has the skills, resources and, perhaps most importantly, the balance sheet to survive the construction sector recession, the industry must reduce its capacity further," he said.

The group expects the construction industry to remain very competitive, with few major contracts awarded. "It is, therefore, our aim to seek opportunities in more robust markets and avoid the risk inherent in tendering at unrealistic prices," Mr Laing said.

He added that the surplus capacity of the industry is a threat but is also an opportunity for the government to proceed with important infrastructure projects.

Earnings slip to 4.1p a share (4.5p) but the interim dividend is maintained at 3p.

Woodchester hurt by ERM troubles

BY PATRICIA TEHAN, BANKING CORRESPONDENT

PROBLEMS in the European exchange-rate mechanism continued to hurt Woodchester Investment, the Dublin leasing and banking group, which saw pre-tax profits slip 6 per cent to Ir£16.42 million (£15.35 million) in the first half.

The interim dividend has been increased by 15 per cent to Ir2.08p despite a 15 per cent slide in earnings per share and an increase in the number of shares in issue after the acquisition of a 30 per cent stake in CLLE, the Credit Lyonnais European leasing group. There will also be a share alternative to the dividend. Craig McKinney, the chairman, said prospects for the company, which is 49 per cent owned by Credit Lyonnais, have improved considerably in the past few months.

Mr McKinney said the continuation of the ERM crisis, the persistence of high interest rates in the first quarter and Woodchester's decision not to pass on the full effect of high interest rates to its customers hit Woodchester Credit Lyonnais Bank's results in Ireland.

In the UK, the bank "had a very satisfactory six months' trading". Mr McKinney said the volume of business written by the motor finance division rose 30 per cent. He is forecasting a pick-up of activity in the leasing division.

He said expansion in Ireland, the UK and "in particular, the new responsibilities which have been given to Woodchester to develop the small unit European leasing activities give rise to the need for a fundamental change in the way the group will be managed in the future".

Looking ahead, Mr McKinney said: "Economic conditions have improved in our main markets and Woodchester is well positioned to take advantage of these improved conditions."

NFC unveils plans for major restructuring

BY PHILIP PANGALOS

NFC, Britain's largest road transport group, has unveiled plans to merge its Exel Logistics and BRS transport and delivery businesses in the United Kingdom as part of its strategic review.

The group said that the merger of its lorry rental and transport logistics businesses was a positive and logical step as the businesses had been moving together gradually over recent years.

James Watson, the chairman, said: "It is a very positive restructuring. There will be substantial financial benefits from doing it. The reorganisation is very much making sure we have the right management to take advantage of opportunities in the United Kingdom and to build our international operations. We intend to maintain and enhance our market position."

Peter Sherlock, NFC's new chief executive, was not willing to quantify the likely costs and projected cost savings at this point. Further details are promised at the full-year stage.

The total UK transport and logistics market is estimated to be worth about £16 billion for both in-house and out-sourcing work. Out-sourcing alone is worth about £4.8 billion, with Exel and BRS boasting a combined market share of about 17 per cent. Mr Sherlock said: "We believe the market will grow."

The merger announcement accompanied NFC's third-quarter results, which showed a jump in pre-tax profits to £116.3 million in the 40 weeks to July 10, up from £59.3 million last time, on overall revenue ahead 11 per cent to £1.43 billion.

The profit increase reflects an exceptional gain of £50 million from the sale of Waste Management and £4 million from property disposals. Profit before tax, excluding exceptional items, was £800,000 higher than the comparable period at £62.3 million.

Mr Watson said NFC's progress in the third quarter had been mixed, with North America and the UK showing "gradual improvement", while there were still problems in mainland Europe, particularly in Germany and Spain.

Earnings jump 111 per cent to 17.5p a share, while earnings before exceptionals, are flat at 8.5p a share. An improved third interim dividend of 1.6p (1.55p) is declared.

Mr Watson said: "There is greater confidence in the UK and America, but it is patchy and it would be wrong to say that things are roaring ahead."

Gearing stood at 64 per cent, against 43 per cent last time. Interest payments rose to £14.5 million (£5.8 million), reflecting acquisitions made over the past 12 months.

The company's best view for the full year is projected at £95 million before tax and exceptionals.

Booker calls for Budget caution

BY OUR CITY STAFF

JONATHAN Taylor, chairman of Booker, the food and agricultural group, called for the Chancellor to act cautiously in November's Budget to avoid depressing consumer spending in the run-up to the critical Christmas trading period.

With consumers still reluctant to eat out, the catering market, which Booker serves, continues to be sluggish. Mr Taylor said the outlook for the group's food businesses depended on measures announced in the budget.

Group pre-tax profits for the six months to June 12 fell from £36.8 million to £29.9 million, though the figures in the previous period were flattered by £6.2 million of exceptional profits. Operating profit from continuing activities rose slightly, from £37.4 million to £38.9 million.

The food distribution businesses showed a strong increase in operating profit, from £16.2 million to £19.2 million. Against the backdrop of a depressed market, most of the improvement came from cost cutting.

Operating profit fell by £1.3 million, to £8.8 million, in the group's agribusiness because of difficulties at the American Arbor Acres operation, which lost market share.



Taylor: profit down

Although some of the problems are being addressed, Mr Taylor says it will take time to turn the business round. Profits also slipped in the fish and prepared foods operations, from £9.8 million to £9.6 million, as price increases failed to stick.

The interim dividend is held at 7.5p.

COMPANY NEWS IN BRIEF

ROPNER (Int)
Pre-tax: £1.6m (£1.7m)
EPS: 4.2p (4.4p)
Div: 3.5p (3.5p)
Operating profits were higher but investment income lower. Profits in second half expected to be better than in the first

NORTH SEA ASSETS (Int)
Pre-tax: £1.2m (£64,000)
EPS: 2.41p (0.17p)
Div: Nil (nil)
Turnover rose 50% to £15.1m and operating profit on continuing businesses grew 20%. Board hopes to pay a final dividend

HALL ENGINEERING (Int)
Pre-tax: £3.7m (£1.5m)
EPS: 8.2p (2.27p)
Div: 6.48p (3.3p)
Sales of stockholding materials down but margins much improved by steel price increases and cost-cutting measures

BRITISH DREDGING (Int)
Pre-tax: £739,000
EPS: 2.83p (2.2p)
Div: 2.6p (2.6p)
Last time pre-tax was £578,000. Operating companies progressed conditions. Steady expansion in Selco and Edwards will continue

DY DAVIES (Fin)
Pre-tax: £684,000 loss
EPS: 11.5p loss
Div: nil (nil)
Pre-tax loss cut from £1.7m. Reduction in group's size caused excess office space but most has been disposed of

GOWRINGS (Int)
Pre-tax: £137,000 loss
EPS: 1.84p loss
Div: 1p (1p)
Leisure operations doubled profits. Motor division had most difficult time. Second half expected to be stronger

ROXSPUR (Fin)
Pre-tax: £125,000 loss
EPS: 0.9p loss
Div: Nil (nil)
Pre-tax loss cut from £755,000. Turnover fell owing to uncertainty over group's future in first half. Operating profit £211,000.

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Mainstrust	125.80	134.50	-0.60	1.27
International	96.26	102.40	-0.70	.30
Dividend Gth	60.96	64.85	-0.11	4.33
Global Gth Sec	63.41	67.45	-0.05	2.45
Ethical Growth	69.36	73.78	-0.03	2.41
High Inc Equity	162.60	172.90	-0.10	4.55
Worldwide Bond	268.00	284.20*	-0.30	3.69
Gilts Fixed Int	135.80	144.00*	-0.10	5.56
ABTRUST MANAGEMENT LTD 10 Queens Terrace, Aberdeen AB9 1QJ 0224 633070 Dealing: 0800 833580; 30 Finsbury Circus, London EC2M 7QQ 071 374 6801				
Amer Inc Gth	43.48	45.88	-0.36	0.60
European	89.14	94.47	-0.08	...
European Inc	85.53	90.73†	+0.08	1.65
Exempt	944.30	988.27	+1.40	3.87
Extra Inc	48.55	52.90*	-0.05	4.94
F East Emerg Ec	92.06	99.10	-0.55	0.65
ALLIED DUNBAR UNIT TRUSTS Allied Dunbar Centre, Swindon, SN1 1EL 0793 514514 Dealing: 0793 610366				
High Inc	404.50	432.40†	-0.20	3.80
Equity Inc	228.20	244.00	-0.10	3.73
High Yield	255.70	273.30	-0.70	3.75
Balanced	678.70	725.50	-3.90	2.42
American Inc	49.12	52.50*	-0.50	3.03
Wld Asset Val	42.51	45.42	-0.31	0.99
Japan	214.00	228.00	-1.10	0.01
Secs of Am	402.90	426.70	-5.00	0.49
AXA EQUITY & LAW St George's Hse, Corporation St, Coventry CV1 1QD 0203 553231				
UK Growth Acc	334.40	356.20	+0.50	2.80
-do- Inc	237.20	252.50	+0.40	2.50
Higher Inc Acc	626.20	666.20	+1.90	3.52
-do- Inc	380.40	404.70	+1.10	3.52
Gilt/Fxd Int Acc	187.40	197.90†	-0.20	5.86
-do- Inc	95.83	101.20†	-0.10	5.86
Nth America	241.30	256.60	-4.00	...
Far East	320.50	341.00	-3.90	0.10
Europe	244.50	260.20†	-0.40	0.87
General Inc	448.90	477.60†	-5.20	2.33
-do- Acc	497.90	529.60†	-0.20	2.33
Brit Excell	67.71	72.04	+0.09	2.56
Brit Fndmtls Inc	72.79	77.44†	-1.27	4.42
Brit Fndmtls Acc	95.59	101.70†	+0.30	4.42
Global Opps	76.89	81.80	-0.58	0.01
BANK OF IRELAND FUND MANAGERS 36 Queen St, London, EC4R 1BN 071 489 8673				
Brit Assets	255.40	268.80	-4.00	1.30
Capital Gwth	108.90	114.60	...	2.38
Worldwide Opps	164.50	173.20	...	0.53
BARCLAYS UNICORN LTD Gredley Hse, 1-11 Broadway, London E15 081 534 5544				
Capital	110.70	118.30†	-0.40	2.74
Euro Gth Inc	121.00	128.50†	-1.00	0.66
Extra Inc	115.50	123.60	-0.20	4.17
General	257.40	275.30	-0.70	2.62
Gilt Fxd Inc	61.71	63.80†	-0.06	7.85
Income	520.80	557.00†	-0.80	3.99
BARING FUND MANAGERS PO Box 156, Beckenham, Kent BR3 4XQ 081 658 9002				
American Gth	89.78	95.24	-1.45	0.10
Amer Smllr Cos	118.70	127.10	-3.40	...
Convertibles	56.93	60.88	+0.22	7.00
Eastern	202.50	217.80	-0.20	1.60
Equity Income	88.36	94.00	-0.03	6.20
European Gth	250.90	267.10	+0.60	1.50
Europe	164.20	176.10	+1.30	1.50
Exempt	87.00	89.34*	...	3.50
German Growth	67.50	71.82	-0.06	0.70
Global Growth	111.80	119.40	-1.00	...
Japan Growth	206.40	220.90	-1.60	...
Japan Sunrise	182.80	195.60	-1.40	...
Portfolio	125.20	134.00†	+0.20	3.20
-do- Acc	225.00	240.90	+0.30	3.20
UK Growth	88.48	94.12	-0.28	2.80
UK Smaller Cos	91.48	97.83	-0.46	1.90
Select Managers	68.41	73.12	-0.11	2.00
BRITANNIA LIFE UNIT MANAGERS LTD 190 West George St, Glasgow G2 2PA 041 332 3132				
Balan Gth Acc	111.60	119.36	+0.11	1.54
-do- Inc	101.45	108.51	+0.10	1.54
Global Bond	30.78	32.66	-0.03	5.00
High Yield Acc	59.23	63.35	-0.06	2.96
-do- Inc	42.53	45.48	-0.04	2.96
Smlr Cos Acc	103.50	110.70	+0.26	1.25
-do- Inc	95.13	101.75	+0.24	1.25
Amer Gth Acc	60.03	64.20	-0.74	...
-do- Inc	58.91	63.00†	-0.72	...
Euro Gth Acc	112.53	120.36	+0.24	0.81
-do- Inc	110.23	117.89†	+0.24	0.81
Mnged P folio	38.15	40.81	-0.12	1.39
Pacific Growth	108.26	115.79	-0.87	0.02
Intl Spec Opps	98.75	105.62	-0.59	1.06
BROWN SHIPLEY 9/17 Perrymount Rd, Haywards Heath 0444 458144				
Financial	141.20	150.40†	-0.20	2.78
Smaller Cos Acc	325.20	351.30	+1.00	...
Smaller Cos Inc	189.20	204.30	+0.50	1.06
High Inc	76.79	82.16†	-0.11	6.38
Income	139.30	149.00	-0.70	3.69
Mnged P folio Inc	98.56	105.00†	-0.40	1.89
-do- Acc	187.50	199.70	-0.80	...
North American	105.40	112.20	-1.40	0.19
Orient	136.30	146.80	-2.10	...
Recovery	44.96	48.33	+0.08	2.31
German	45.73	49.02	-0.09	0.08
Intl Growth	35.65	37.97	-0.41	0.21
European Inc	23.59	25.37	-0.15	0.44
BURRAGE UNIT TRUST MANAGEMENT LTD 117 Fenchurch St, London EC3M 5AL 071 480 7216				
Sht Gilt Fxd Int	68.26	69.19	-0.04	5.04
CIS UNIT MANAGERS LTD PO Box 105, Manchester M60 0AH 061 837 5060				
Environ	143.70	152.90	-0.30	1.57
UK Growth	155.20	165.20†	-0.40	2.03
UK Income	133.10	141.60	-0.40	3.97
CANNON LINCOLN FUND MANAGERS 1 Olympic Way, Wembley, Middx HA9 0NB 081 902 8876				
SE Asia	94.06	100.60	-0.60	0.81
Growth	46.52	49.89	-0.10	2.80
Income	57.76	62.11	+0.18	3.82
Far East	51.46	55.04	-0.53	...
North American	87.46	94.26	-1.61	...
Global	90.39	96.67	-0.92	0.47
European	76.51	81.83	-0.13	0.64
Japan	118.90	127.10	-1.30	0.01
Intl Currency Bd	61.15	64.77	-0.36	5.88
UK Cap Gwth	86.33	92.33	-0.08	1.80
CAPEL-CURE MYERS UNIT TRUST MANAGERS LTD 35 Fountain Street, Manchester M2 2AF Enquiries: 061 236 5685 Dealing: 061 236 5362				
Capability Trusts				
American Gen	131.90	140.30	-1.80	0.10
-do- Acc	140.20	149.20	-1.90	0.10
European	69.90	74.09†	-0.10	0.63
-do- Acc	72.92	77.20	-0.11	0.63
Far East Gen	68.16	72.52	-0.94	...
-do- Acc	68.16	72.52	-0.94	...
Smaller Cos	71.40	75.96†	-0.21	1.71
-do- Acc	80.65	85.80	-0.24	1.71
Growth	404.00	432.10†	+0.90	2.16
-do- Acc	700.40	749.10	+1.60	2.16
Income Growth	399.90	425.50*	+0.90	3.53
-do- Acc	543.30	578.00	+1.10	3.53
Master Portfolio	10042.0	10418.0†	-2.00	2.14
-do- Acc	11698.0	12136.0	-2.00	2.14
Special Sits	93.48	99.45†	-1.12	2.06
-do- Acc	110.50	117.56	-1.32	2.06
Exempt Fund				
High Yield	1304.0	1345.0	-3.00	4.00
-do- Acc	1539.0	1587.0	+3.00	4.00
CAPEL (JAMES) UNIT TRUST MANAGEMENT LTD 7 Devonshire Square, London EC2M 4HU 071 955 5050. Dealing: 071 955 5055				
American Index	189.90	202.30	-2.20	1.63
Capital	569.80	608.10	-0.90	2.23
Eurotrack 100	140.30	149.50	+0.10	1.38
Euro Gth	89.87	95.84	-0.26	0.88
Far East Growth	98.67	105.30	-0.80	..
Global Bond	23.99	25.38	-0.03	5.91
Hong Kong	86.59	92.41	-0.42	0.65
Income	546.90	583.20	+0.60	3.75
Intl Growth	75.43	80.50	-0.54	0.17
Japan Growth	291.90	311.50	-0.70	..
Japan Smllr Cos	37.37	39.88	...	..
Japan Index	84.09	89.74	-0.45	0.23
Nth American	432.40	461.50	-5.70	0.47
S pore Mly Gth	62.65	66.86	-0.70	...
The Footsie Fd	113.00	119.30	...	2.58
Tiger Index	155.20	165.60†	-1.70	0.59
Triple Index	113.80	121.40†	+0.20	2.07
UK Index	130.70	139.50	+0.10	2.87
CAZENOVE UNIT TRUST MANAGEMENT LTD 3 Copthall Avenue, London EC2R 7BH 071 606 0708				
American P folio	85.51	91.31	-0.64	1.05
European P folio	79.73	84.92	-0.10	0.98
Japanese P folio	72.54	77.16	...	...
Pacific P folio	113.31	121.84	...	1.00
Cazenove P folio	76.06	81.36	-0.15	2.63
UK Income Gth	69.35	74.41	+0.13	4.58
Utility & Bond	55.18	58.96	+0.14	7.00
CENTRAL BOARD OF FINANCE OF CHURCH OF ENGLAND 2 Fore Street, London EC2Y 5AQ 071 588 1815				
Investment Fd	654.95	658.15	...	4.53
Fixed Int	165.45	165.80	...	8.75
Deposit	5.70	...	...	...
CHARITIES OFFICIAL INVESTMENT FUND 2 Fore Street, London EC2Y 5AQ 071 588 1815				
Income	647.05	654.98	...	4.57
-do- Acc	2595.0	2627.0	...	...
Deposit	5.70	...	...	..
Fxd Int Inc	134.35	134.69	...	8.61
-do- Acc	184.65	185.12	...	...
CITY FINANCIAL UNIT TRUST MANAGERS LTD 1 White Hart Yard, London Bridge, SE1 071 407 5966				
City Fin Assets	65.93	71.47	..	2.11
Beckman Intl	90.51	98.58	..	2.77
Friars Hse Inc	195.99	207.40	..	5.68
Friars Hse Cap	263.05	282.85	..	2.58
COMMERCIAL UNION TRUST MANAGERS Exchange Court, 3 Bedford Park, Croydon CR0 2AQ. Enquiries: 081 681 2222 Dealing: 081 686 9878				
PRESTIGE PORTFOLIO (PPT FUNDS) Income Funds				
Equity Income	152.96	162.72	+0.49	3.62
Equity Incom Acc	506.38	538.70	+1.59	3.62
Fixed & Convert	43.97	46.78	+0.06	6.16
Fixed & Conv Acc	117.81	125.33	+0.12	6.16
Monthly Income	51.60	54.89	+0.01	6.90
Preference	51.02	54.28	+0.09	6.28
Preference Acc	267.01	284.05	+0.47	6.28
Balanced Funds				
High Yield	127.51	135.65	+0.27	4.09
High Yield Acc	490.26	521.55	+1.02	4.09
Managed Fund	65.76	69.96	-0.17	3.20
Managed Fd Acc	80.32	85.45	-0.21	3.20
UK Growth Funds				
Smaller Cos	40.59	43.18	+0.14	1.17
Smaller Cos Acc	46.08	49.02	+0.16	1.17
UK & General	72.90	77.55	+0.12	2.35
UK & General Acc	88.47	94.12	+0.15	2.35
UK Growth	125.10	133.09	+0.21	1.84
International Growth Funds				
Europe Growth	165.47	176.03	-0.33	0.83
Far East Growth	115.54	122.91	-1.39	...
Global Bond	87.73	93.26	-0.39	5.12
Gold & Comm	53.38	56.79	-0.93	...
Japan Growth	126.41	134.48	-2.20	...
North America	148.23	157.69	-2.10	0.19
Oriental Growth	61.39	65.31	-0.58	0.21
W'wide Growth	60.38	64.58	-0.59	0.22
-do- Acc	62.99	67.37	-0.61	0.22
OTHER CU TRUSTS (NON PPT FUNDS)				
Deposit Fund	93.19	93.19	+0.01	5.16
Deposit Fund Acc	93.19	93.19	+0.01	5.16
Quilter Fund	128.95	137.18†	+0.34	2.33
Quilter Fund Acc	144.67	153.90	+0.38	2.33
CREDIT SUISSE INVESTMENT FUNDS (UK) LTD Beaufort House, 15 St Botolph Street, London EC3A 7JJ. 071 247 4542 Dealing: 071 247 7474				
Fellowship Tst	64.71	68.85	+0.04	1.76
-do- Acc	72.95	77.61	+0.04	1.76
Income Fund 5	227.00	241.50	+0.30	3.82
-do- Acc	528.10	561.90	+0.70	3.82
Inv Portfolio	70.30	72.86†	-0.20	2.02
-do- Acc	80.12	83.03†	...	2.02
Smaller Cos	136.40	145.20	-0.10	1.17
-do- Acc	165.10	175.70	+0.20	1.17
High Inc P folio	64.40	66.74	-0.03	4.24
EAGLE STAR UNIT MANAGERS Bath Road, Cheltenham GL53 7LQ 0242 577 555				
Oriental Op Acc	91.64	97.49	+0.03	0.81
Japanese Acc	66.17	70.39†	-0.77	..
UK Balncd Inc	133.60	142.10	-0.30	2.42
-do- Acc	157.50	167.60	-0.30	2.42
UK Growth Acc	216.10	229.90	-0.50	1.95
UK High Inc	144.60	153.80	-0.40	5.76
-do- Acc	174.90	186.10	-0.50	5.76
N America Acc	111.80	118.90	-1.40	0.23
European Acc	167.30	178.00	-1.60	0.39
UK Pref F/I Inc	62.89	66.71	...	6.60
-do- Acc	103.50	109.80	...	6.60
Intl Sp Sits Acc	50.12	53.32†	-0.32	0.21
Environmntl Opp	75.49	80.31	+0.05	1.53
EDINBURGH UNIT TRUST MANAGERS Donaldson House, 97 Haymarket Terrace, Edinburgh EH12 5HD. 031 313 1000				
American	111.90	118.90	-1.10	0.42
UK Smllr Cos	221.90	235.80	-0.60	1.06
Euroland	40.66	43.05	+0.23	0.93
Mngd Exempt	178.00	185.50	-1.60	2.83
Growth Inc	226.40	240.60†	+1.00	3.12
High Dist	154.90	164.60	+0.70	4.56
International	342.30	363.70	-1.40	0.89
Intl Income	86.18	91.57	-0.50	2.64
Pacific	62.34	66.24	-0.12	0.45
Smllr Jap Cos	78.18	83.07	-0.36	...
Tokyo	219.90	233.60†	-0.80	...
Japan Exempt	126.70	130.10	-3.20	0.38
Srn Jap Exempt	620.80	637.90	-14.70	0.08
Equity Income	128.90	137.00†	+0.30	3.65
Formerly Target				
Euro Spec Sits	150.60	159.40	+0.50	0.47
Financial	45.58	48.43†	+0.03	2.47
Global Opps Inc	92.17	97.93	-0.36	1.02
-do- Acc	95.53	101.50	-0.40	1.02
Gold Gen Inc	46.31	49.20	-0.59	0.61
-do- Acc	88.88	94.44	-1.13	0.61
Japan General	170.90	181.60	-0.30	..
Preference	24.02	25.52	+0.05	7.13
Worldwide Cap	209.80	222.90	-1.00	1.79
World Income	89.91	95.53	+0.01	3.12
ENDURANCE FUND MANAGEMENT 41 Harrington Gardens, London SW7 4JU 071 373 7261				
Endurance	186.10	198.00	-4.20	0.90
EQUITABLE UNIT TRUST MANAGERS LTD Walton St, Aylesbury, Bucks. HP21 7QW 0296 431480				
Pelican	112.13	118.03	-0.05	3.25
High Income	131.24	138.15	+0.15	4.52
Tst of Inv Tsts	164.86	173.54†	-0.08	2.15
Special Sits	88.36	92.91†	-0.24	2.06
North American	103.50	108.95†	-1.04	1.00
Far Eastern	262.57	276.39	-1.70	1.52
Intl Growth	99.14	104.36	-0.85	1.31
European	69.02	72.65	+0.24	1.89
Smaller Cos	73.17	77.02	+0.14	1.83
FAMILY INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT LTD 16 West Street, Brighton, BN1 2RE 0273 238 787				
United Charities	243.30	258.80	...	3.50
FIDELITY INVESTMENT SERVICES LTD Oakhill House, 130 Tonbridge Rd, Tonbridge TN11 9DZ. 0800 414181				
Cash Unit Tst	100.00	100.00	...	5.40
European Tst	140.00	148.90	-0.30	...
High Income	27.83	29.28†	-0.04	5.65
FOREIGN & COLONIAL 8th Floor, Exchange Hse, Primrose St, London EC2A 2NY. 071 628 8000				
European	100.20	105.90†	-0.10	0.59
Far Eastern	144.80	155.10	-1.40	...
High Income	23.86	25.41†	+0.06	10.00
Oseas Income	91.97	98.31	-0.64	3.06
UK Growth	101.20	108.20†	+0.10	0.87
UK Income	109.30	116.70	+0.20	2.83
US Smaller Cos	271.00	289.80	-5.30	...
FRAMLINGTON UNIT MANAGEMENT 155 Bishopsgate, London EC2M 3FT 071 374 4100				
Amer Gth	49.56	52.65	-0.82	...
-do- Acc	49.56	52.65	-0.82	...
Am Smllr Co	435.90	466.10	-10.30	...
-do- Acc	445.30	476.20	-10.40	...
Capital	305.10	324.50	-0.60	1.55
-do- Acc	424.90	451.90	-0.90	1.55
Cond Smllr Cos	50.21	53.97	...	0.85
-do- Acc	52.49	56.42	...	0.85
Convertible	126.30	134.30	+0.30	5.42
-do- Acc	239.70	254.90	+0.60	5.42
Emg Mark	59.23	63.27	-0.28	...
-do- Acc	59.23	63.27	-0.28	...
European	102.60	109.60	-0.30	0.63
-do- Acc	106.90	114.30	-0.30	0.63
Extra Income	318.10	338.30	+0.30	3.63
-do- Acc	455.50	484.50	+0.50	3.63
Financial	116.30	124.60	-0.80	0.13
-do- Acc	121.80	130.50	-0.80	0.13
Gilt Gth Tst	68.92	73.06	+0.01	5.69
-do- Acc	89.05	91.82	+0.01	5.69
Health Fund Inc	117.50	125.50	-2.10	...
-do- Acc	117.50	125.50	-2.10	...
Income Tst	194.20	206.50	-0.30	3.49
-do- Acc	275.10	292.60	-0.50	3.49
Intl Growth	332.40	354.90	-3.60	...
-do- Acc	369.10	394.10	-4.00	...
Japan Gen	193.00	206.30	-1.90	...
-do- Acc	194.90	208.40	-1.90	...
Mngd P folio Inc	97.19	102.30	-0.40	0.80
-do- Acc	102.30	107.60	-0.30	0.80
Monthly Income	165.00	175.50	+0.40	3.60
Qrtly Inc	53.36	56.75	+0.03	5.40
-do- Acc	54.11	57.55	+0.03	5.40
Recovery	309.70	331.10	-2.90	0.32
-do- Acc	363.80	389.00	-3.50	0.32
UK Growth	49.61	53.02	-0.05	2.34
-do- Acc	49.61	53.02	-0.05	2.34
FRIENDS PROVIDENT MANAGERS Castle Street, Salisbury, Wilts. SP1 3SH Dealing: 0722 411411 Administration: 0722 413622				
Equity Dist	368.39	391.90	-1.13	2.61
-do- Acc	752.25	800.25	-2.32	2.61
Euro Gth Dist	115.49	122.86	-0.85	0.66
-do- Acc	120.02	127.68†	-0.89	0.66
Fixed Int Dist	139.01	147.04†	-1.27	5.77
-do- Acc	238.04	251.79†	-2.17	5.77
Intl Gth Dist	81.80	87.02	-0.53	0.59
-do- Acc	84.92	90.34	-0.55	0.59
Nth Amer Dist	170.57	180.69	-1.14	0.84
-do- Acc	185.90	196.93	-1.24	0.84
Pac Basin Dist	263.43	280.25	-2.08	0.01
-do- Acc	268.46	285.60	-2.12	0.01
Stewardship Dist	320.64	341.11	-0.20	1.80
-do- Acc	382.33	406.73	-0.25	1.80
Smd Inc Dist	68.67	73.27†	+0.12	2.97
-do- Acc	85.89	91.37†	+0.16	2.97
N Am Smd Dist	97.76	104.00	-1.43	...
-do- Acc	103.41	110.01	-1.52	...
GT UNIT MANAGERS Alban Gate, 14th Flr, 125 London Wall, Lond EC2Y 5AS. 071 710 4567 Dealing: 071 626 9431				
Am Sp Sits	137.90	147.50	-2.90	...
European	442.90	471.10	-0.10	0.90
Far East General	246.00	263.00	-1.20	0.27
Germany	110.10	116.60	-0.30	0.40
Global Assets In	73.58	78.45	-0.24	2.06
Global Assets Ac	77.81	82.95	-0.26	2.06
Income Inc	134.80	144.20†	-0.10	6.11
International	303.90	324.70	-2.10	0.86
Intl Income	81.19	86.17	-0.47	4.62
Japan General	400.70	426.10	-2.60	...
Smllr Cos Div	50.51	54.03	+0.18	5.99
UK Capital Inc	177.70	190.10†	+0.10	3.95
-do- Acc	306.40	327.70	+0.10	3.95
Uk Spec Sits	83.96	89.80	-0.31	1.41
US General	121.80	129.90	-2.40	0.10
W wide Spec Sits	136.80	146.00	-1.00	0.09
GARTMORE FUND MANAGERS Gartmore House, 16/18 Monument Street, London EC3R 8AJ. 071 623 1212 Dealing: 0277 264431. Services: 0500 289 336				
UK Growth Funds				
British Growth	46.77	50.02†	-0.06	1.30
Cash Trust*	130.22	130.22†	+0.02	5.43
Pract Inv Inc	111.85	119.93	-0.06	3.83
-do- Acc	240.11	257.46	-0.13	3.83
UK Smaller Cos	110.86	118.88	+0.54	0.77
Income Funds				
Preference Share	27.83	29.76	+0.01	7.83
High Inc	34.48	36.88†	-0.30	4.45
UK Equity Inc	136.89	146.41†	+0.20	3.71
Global Bond	29.26	31.37	-0.13	5.71
International Funds				
Gold Intl	80.29	86.10	-3.16	0.49
Frontier Markets	47.18	50.59	-0.36	0.12
Global Inc Gth	123.77	131.90	-0.96	1.82
UK Intl	125.89	134.64	-0.01	0.33
Overseas Funds				
American	128.31	137.03	-1.97	0.45
European	87.79	93.05	-0.36	0.92
Euro Sel Opps	106.25	112.98†	-0.45	0.65
American Emerg	85.90	92.12	-3.19	...
Hong Kong	120.71	129.45	-2.04	1.92
Japan	244.44	259.66	-4.24	...
Pacific Growth	170.27	182.59	-1.76	0.36
GOVETT (JOHN) UNIT MANAGEMENT Shackleton House, 4 Battle Bridge Lane, London SE1 2HR. 071 378 7979 Dealing: 071 585 0526				
Intl Growth	134.10	143.42	-0.38	0.32
American Gth	127.83	136.71	-3.30	...
European Gth	72.04	77.01	-0.14	0.61
Japan Gth	84.46	90.33	-0.67	...
Greater China	146.91	155.51†	-3.11	2.85
Pacific Strategy	136.07	145.53	-0.82	0.30
UK Prog Inc	78.69	82.75†	-0.17	4.69
British Growth	51.47	54.33	+0.13	2.47
UK Small Cos	47.18	50.46	-0.19	1.41
GRE UNIT MANAGERS 36 Harbour Exchange Sq, London E14 9GE 071 538 9665				
Cash	132.40	132.40	...	6.33
Gilt Fixed	130.90	138.90†	-0.20	5.01
Growth Equity	308.30	329.30	-1.50	1.93
Guardhill	451.40	482.20†	-2.40	2.01
Income Trust	115.80	123.70	-0.30	3.31
International	166.00	177.30	-1.80	0.01
Japan Trust	131.70	140.70	-1.60	...
Nth American	258.70	276.30	-2.60	0.37
Pacific	416.30	444.70	-2.90	...
European	383.30	409.40	-3.80	0.16
HALIFAX STANDARD TRUST MANAGEMENT LTD PO Box 600, Edinburgh EH15 1EW 0800 838848				
Global Adv Inc	36.91	39.13†	-0.20	1.51
-do- Acc	38.90	41.24	-0.20	1.51
Inc Adv Inc	30.78	32.63†	...	3.75
-do- Acc	32.58	34.54	...	3.75
HAMBROS UNIT TRUST MANAGERS 5 Rayleigh Rd, Hutton, Brentwood, Essex Enquiries: 0277 227300 Dealing: 0277 690390				
Canadian	78.19	83.76	-2.02	0.98
Equity Income	120.40	128.10†	-0.50	3.27
European	140.20	148.40	-0.50	0.91
Intl Situation	78.88	83.91	-0.40	...
Japanese	146.80	155.80	-1.40	...
North American	94.91	100.70	-0.90	0.08
Scandinavian	127.00	134.20†	-1.70	...
Smaller Cos	32.53	34.61	+0.01	1.85
HENDERSON PO Box 2157, Kings House, 101-135 Kings Road, Brentwood, Essex CM14 4ET Enq: 0277 263290 Dealing: 0277 254772				
Amer Smaller	91.77	98.10	-2.08	...
Asian Enterprise	140.45	150.18	-1.25	0.40
European	408.68	432.36	+0.51	0.69
European Inc	74.81	79.13†	-0.02	2.41
Euro Sml Co	127.88	136.08	-0.64	0.57
Extra Income	276.89	294.77†	+0.82	4.52
Family of Funds	75.71	80.74	-0.59	0.53
Global Bond	58.52	62.48†	-0.06	6.63
High Inc	315.12	336.86†	+0.55	3.74
Income Gth	257.08	273.78	+0.49	3.18
-do- Acc	664.99	708.20	+1.26	3.18
International	238.72	254.68	-2.36	0.51
Japan Spc Sit	256.13	272.74	-2.57	...
Japan	223.06	237.65	-2.97	...
N Amer	217.00	231.18	-2.77	...
Pacific Smllr Cos	208.81	222.13	-0.75	0.25
Pref Gilt	49.27	52.96†	-0.05	7.67
Smaller Cos Div	184.14	197.21†	+0.12	3.73
Special Sits	278.82	298.33†	-0.20	1.58
-do- Acc	432.27	462.52	-0.30	1.58
Best of British	59.63	63.79	+0.07	2.28
Henderson TR				
Euro Spec Sits	50.47	53.65	+0.05	0.73
-do- Acc	53.43	56.80	+0.05	0.73
Global Tech	133.22	142.53	-3.38	...
Smaller Cos	78.86	84.38	-0.21	1.55
Special Opps	116.70	125.48†	-0.56	1.23
HILL SAMUEL UT MANAGERS NLA Tower Addiscombe Road, Croydon 081 686 4355				
British	91.92	98.31	+0.14	2.12
Capital	160.90	172.00†	-0.20	1.81
Dollar	308.80	330.20	-5.40	0.01
European	209.90	224.40	-0.70	0.57
Far East	256.50	274.30	-0.80	0.23
Financial	777.90	831.90	-0.80	1.80
Gilt Fxd Int Inc	27.68	28.95	+0.23	7.15
High Yield	110.20	117.80	+0.20	4.16
Income	144.00	154.00	+0.30	3.10
Intl	221.50	236.80	-1.90	0.17
Japan Tech	74.84	80.04	-1.35	...
Nat Resources	58.48	62.54	-1.02	0.46
Security	311.30	332.90	+0.20	1.84
Smaller Cos	120.00	128.30	+0.20	1.11
Special Sits	145.00	155.00†	-0.10	1.51
US Smaller Cos	70.19	75.06	-2.72	...
INVESCO FUND MANAGERS LTD 11 Devonshire Square, London EC2M 4YR 071 626 3434. Dealing: 0800 010733				
UK Specialist Trusts				
Smaller Cos	27.51	29.41†	+0.06	1.12
Special Features	29.93	31.80	+0.13	1.65
-do- Acc	35.34	37.54	+0.16	1.65
General Funds				
UK Growth	57.05	60.95	+0.03	1.75
Assets Earnings	74.55	79.20†	+0.01	1.84
do Acc	88.97	94.53†	+0.03	1.84
Managed Invest	92.92	99.19	-0.57	1.11
Rupert Children	79.26	84.49	+0.01	2.04
High Income Funds				
Cashbox	50.18	50.18†	...	4.47
Extra Inc	86.28	92.21†	+0.07	4.97
Gilt	29.55	31.14	+0.04	6.13
Income Gth	41.33	44.07	-0.01	3.46
MIMstar	81.18	82.96	+0.05	7.52
Preference	18.81	19.98†	+0.03	6.51
UK Income	330.40	353.00	+0.30	3.13
Sector Specialist Funds				
Fincl Sec	64.16	68.17	+0.03	1.17
Property Shares	71.49	77.00†	+0.40	1.62
Exempt Funds				
Exempt	154.80	162.30	+0.30	4.23
European Acc	123.40	130.80†	+0.40	1.47
European Dist	116.30	123.30†	+0.40	1.47
Overseas Growth Funds				
American Gth	47.96	50.97†	-0.57	1.10
European Perf	126.10	134.00†	+0.50	0.50
-do- Acc	130.00	138.20†	+0.50	0.50
Euro Small Cos	23.69	25.18	+0.02	0.48
French Growth	71.45	76.01	-0.12	0.34
-do- Acc	76.33	81.20	-0.13	0.34
Hong K/China	74.06	78.68	-0.21	1.63
Ind Growth	54.34	57.73	-0.36	0.59
-do- Acc	54.34	57.73	-0.36	0.59
Japan Perf	35.91	38.16	-0.77	...
Accum Units	35.91	38.16	-0.77	...
Japan Smllr Cos	40.51	43.03†	-0.54	...
Singapore Asean	92.83	98.63	-0.54	0.19
-do- Acc	93.49	99.33	-0.55	0.19
South East Asia	255.10	271.00	-1.20	0.56
US Smllr Cos	103.60	110.00	-2.60	...
-do- Acc	104.70	111.20	-2.50	...
Overseas Income Funds				
Global Inc	88.65	94.49	-0.31	2.47
Intl Bond	59.07	59.91†	-0.17	5.91
KLEINWORT BENSON UNIT TRUST LTD 10 Fenchurch Street, London EC3 071 956 6600. Dealing: 071 956 7364				
Income Trusts				
Extra Income	55.21	58.73†	+0.52	6.60
Gilt Yield	124.40	131.30†	-0.10	6.86
Global Income	209.20	222.60†	-2.25	3.93
High Yield	144.00	153.20	+1.39	5.44
Smllr Cos Div	52.22	55.55†	+0.16	3.53
Capital Growth Trusts				
Amer Smllr Cos	90.07	95.82	-3.12	...
North American	74.40	79.15	-1.80	0.43
European	137.90	146.70	...	1.53
Euro Special	83.56	88.60	-0.05	1.41
General	275.70	293.30	-0.10	3.04
Japan	453.10	482.00	+1.50	...
Japanese Special	257.60	274.30	-2.80	...
Master Acc	228.50	243.10	-1.00	1.27
Pacific	289.40	307.90	-2.30	0.82
Smaller Cos	110.30	117.30	+3.79	1.44
UK Equity Gth	39.11	41.61†	+0.15	1.68
LAS UNIT TRUST MANAGERS 113 Dundas St, Edinburgh EH3 5EB 031 550 5151				
European	78.58	83.54	-0.37	0.93
Extra Income	25.34	26.96	-0.05	3.39
Far East	29.53	31.41	-0.31	0.76
Income Gwth	75.34	80.15†	-0.13	2.70
Intl Growth	54.06	57.51	-0.29	0.62
Japan	69.00	73.40†	-0.48	...
Maximum Dist*	100.20	102.20†	...	6.91
N Amer Equity	38.25	40.69	-0.41	0.26
UK Equity	91.30	97.13	-0.11	2.87
LAURENCE KEEN UNIT TRUST MANAGEMENT 1 White Hart Yard, London SE1. 071 407 5966				
Income Gth Inc	54.77	58.27	+0.34	4.20
LEGAL & GENERAL UT MANAGERS 5 Rayleigh Rd, Hutton, Brentwood Essex Enq: 0277 227300. Dealing: 0277 690395				
Equity Dist	445.10	473.50†	-0.10	2.61
Equity Acc	858.10	912.90†	-0.10	2.61
Equity Income	99.26	105.60	+0.10	4.24
European	102.00	108.50†	-0.10	1.68
Far Eastern	199.60	212.30	-1.80	...
Fixed Interest	55.85	59.39†	-0.05	5.88
Gilt	97.58	103.50	...	5.91
Global Growth	70.86	75.40	-0.79	0.45
Intl Bond	56.56	60.10†	-0.45	4.73
Japanese	76.41	81.29	-0.95	...
Overseas Equity	103.40	110.00	-1.50	0.06
Pacific Gth	93.61	99.59	-0.61	0.46
LLOYDS BANK UNIT TRUST MANAGERS LTD Mountbatten Hse, Chatham, Kent ME4 4JF 0634 834343				
Balanced	326.00	346.90	-5.10	2.65
-do- Acc	715.80	761.50	-11.60	2.66
Contl Euro Gth	54.59	57.47	-0.24	1.14
-do- Acc	57.73	60.77	-0.26	1.14
Extra Inc	252.40	268.60	-4.00	3.77
-do- Acc	623.90	663.80	-10.30	3.77
German Gth	111.80	117.70	-0.20	0.09
-do- Acc	117.20	123.40	-0.20	0.09
Growth Port	513.60	546.40	-1.40	0.25
-do- Acc	513.60	546.40	-1.40	0.25
Income	481.10	511.90	-0.80	3.33
-do- Acc	1235.0	1314.0	-2.00	3.33
Income Port	512.50	545.30	-0.50	3.96
-do- Acc	520.10	553.40	-0.50	3.96
Japan Growth	106.80	113.70	-1.00	0.01
-do- Acc	107.20	114.10	-1.10	0.01
Master Trust	54.54	58.02	-0.22	1.25
-do- Acc	60.05	63.89	-0.24	1.25
N American Gen	183.90	195.70	-2.40	0.01
-do- Acc	212.40	226.00	-2.90	0.01
NAm Sm Co Rec	138.70	147.60	-3.70	0.01
-do- Acc	141.50	150.60	-3.80	0.01
Pacific Basin	219.50	233.60	-4.70	0.58
-do- Acc	231.90	246.80	-5.00	0.58
Small Cos Rec	327.90	345.20	-0.30	2.41
-do- Acc	426.90	449.40	-0.50	2.41
UK Growth	82.18	87.43	+1.11	2.24
-do- Acc	96.82	103.00	+1.20	2.24
Worldwide Gth	282.33	310.90	-2.20	0.16
-do- Acc	430.90	458.50	-3.30	0.16
LONDON & MANCHESTER Winslade Park, Exeter EX5 1DS 0392 282673				
General	82.08	88.07	-0.12	2.70
Income	65.07	69.82†	+0.13	4.90
International	59.45	63.79	-0.38	0.70
American	59.38	63.71	-0.47	0.30
Japan	57.98	62.21†	-0.67	...
TR of Inv Trusts	62.87	67.46	...	1.20
M & G SECURITIES LTD Victoria Rd, Chelmsford CM1 1FB Customer Services/Unit Dealing: 0245 390390				
American Gen	379.00	400.80†	-4.80	0.90
-do- Acc	468.30	495.20	-5.90	0.90
American Rec	413.00	436.70	-8.50	0.23
-do- Acc	473.20	500.40	-9.70	0.23
Am Sm Co Acc	123.30	130.40	-2.80	...
Australia Acc	164.30	173.90	-2.40	1.14
Capital	725.80	767.50†	-1.40	2.15
-do- Acc	810.70	857.30	-1.50	2.15
Commodity Acc	433.80	458.90	-9.60	0.92
Compnd Gth	891.70	942.80	-1.40	2.47
Dividend	38.60	40.80	-0.10	3.94
-do- Acc	152.90	161.80	-0.30	3.94
Equity Inc	326.00	344.70†	-0.80	4.32
European Div	63.50	67.10	-0.80	3.70
-do- Acc	73.00	77.20	-0.90	3.70
European Gen	425.20	449.70	-5.20	0.89
-do- Acc	534.10	564.90	-6.50	0.89
Extra Yield	404.10	427.30	...	4.02
-do- Acc	1207.3	1276.7	-0.20	4.02
Far Eastern	322.80	341.40†	-2.50	0.46
-do- Acc	425.80	450.40	-3.30	0.46
Fund of Inv	559.70	591.90	-0.40	1.95
-do- Acc	1020.8	1079.7	+0.80	1.95
General	57.80	61.10	-0.10	3.39
-do- Acc	154.50	163.50	-0.20	3.39
Gilt Fxd Int	66.69	66.77†	+0.13	6.99
do Acc	170.01	170.23	+0.33	6.99
Gold	48.80	51.60	-1.00	1.05
-do- Acc	57.30	60.60	-1.20	1.05
High Inc	27.30	28.90	-0.10	4.08
-do- Acc	103.40	109.50	-0.30	4.08
Intl Growth	71.00	75.10†	-0.80	0.49
-do- Acc	122.90	130.10	-1.20	0.49
Intl Inc	97.30	102.90	-1.00	4.41
Japan Gen Acc	54.00	57.20	-0.70	...
Japan Smllr Cos	163.60	172.90	-1.30	...
Midland	60.80	64.30	-0.10	2.77
-do- Acc	194.60	206.00	-0.20	2.77
Recovery	39.40	41.70	-0.10	2.41
-do- Acc	62.70	66.40	-0.20	2.41
Second Gen	67.60	71.50	+0.10	3.18
-do- Acc	167.50	177.20	+0.30	3.16
Smaller Cos	65.40	69.20	...	2.75
-do- Acc	125.60	132.90	...	2.75
Trustee	42.40	44.80	...	3.55
Charibond 3	1118.63	...	+0.30	9.09
Charifund 2	685.00	691.90	-1.30	4.84
Pension ex I	905.20	927.90	+0.80	4.00
NAACIF Inc 3	349.10	...	...	6.76
-do- Acc 3	11211.8	...	+1.80	6.76
MARKS & SPENCER UNIT TRUST MANAGEMENT LTD PO Box 410, Chester X. CH99 9QG 0244 680866				
Inv Port Inc	144.00	154.00	...	1.90
-do- Acc	161.30	172.50	...	1.90
UK Income	122.00	130.40	+0.46	2.31
-do- Acc	137.60	147.40	+0.46	2.31
MARTIN CURRIE UNIT TRUSTS LTD Saltire Court, 20 Castle Terrace, Edinburgh EH1 2ES. 031 229 5252				
Emerg Mkts	89.97	96.22	+0.04	0.42
Far East	145.50	154.50	-0.90	0.16
Income Growth	75.12	79.75†	-0.07	3.34
European	74.30	78.87	-0.40	1.09
Nth American	56.37	59.84	-1.26	0.44
UK Growth	82.02	87.09	+0.11	1.97
Intl Growth	100.20	106.40	-1.10	0.33
Charities	115.30	122.40†	...	3.87
Intl Income	70.89	75.25†	...	4.98
Japan	58.27	61.86	-1.02	...
MERCURY FUND MANAGERS LTD 33 King William St, EC4R 9AS. 071 280 2860				
American	186.20	198.00	-2.90	...
-do- Acc	199.00	211.60	-3.10	...
Cash	100.70	100.70	...	5.56
-do- Acc	130.80	130.80	...	5.56
Emg Mkts Acc	97.56	104.90	+0.48	...
European Gth	206.60	219.20†	-0.90	0.73
-do- Acc	222.20	235.70†	-1.00	0.73
General	489.10	520.70	-1.30	2.32
-do- Acc	936.10	998.50	-1.90	2.32
Global Dist	133.20	140.00	-0.50	5.22
-do- Acc	149.10	156.70	-0.50	5.22
Income	147.50	157.00†	-0.90	4.34
-do- Acc	219.00	233.30†	-1.10	4.34
International	407.30	434.30	-3.30	0.64
-do- Acc	541.50	577.70	-4.30	0.64
Japan Acc	203.60	216.00	-0.50	...
New Europe	151.90	161.90	-0.50	1.60
-do- Acc	154.40	164.70	-0.40	1.60
Recovery	307.40	327.90	-0.70	2.74
-do- Acc	388.40	414.30	-0.80	2.74
European Inc	76.64	81.22	-0.29	3.00
-do- Acc	99.29	105.20	-0.40	3.00
Brit Blue Chip	75.99	80.93	-0.17	3.11
-do- Acc	89.62	95.43	-0.20	3.11
Portfolio	77.85	82.82	-0.21	2.73
-do- Acc	88.53	94.17	-0.23	2.73
Gold General	116.00	124.70	-5.20	0.75
-do- Acc	118.50	127.40	-5.50	0.75
Pacific	100.50	107.20	+0.10	0.78
-do- Acc	106.90	114.00	+0.10	0.78
UK Smaller Cos	56.77	60.55†	+0.04	1.80
-do- Acc	63.79	68.04†	+0.04	1.80
MIDLAND UNIT TRUSTS LTD 192 Eyre Street, Sheffield, S1 3RD Dealing: 0742 520 200 Enquiries: 0742 529 876				
Balanced Dist	59.51	63.65	-0.09	2.56
-do- Acc	60.43	64.63	-0.09	2.56
British Dist	80.07	85.64	+0.15	2.03
-do- Acc	90.64	96.94	+0.16	2.00
European Gth	183.70	196.50	-0.60	0.02
-do- Acc	230.60	246.60	-0.90	0.02
Extra High Inc	73.62	78.74	-0.08	5.41
-do- Acc	131.60	140.80	-0.20	5.41
FT-SE 100 Index	50.47	53.98	+0.07	2.58
-do- Acc	51.23	54.79	+0.07	2.58
Gilt Fixed Int	58.54	60.94†	+0.02	6.49
-do- Acc	158.40	164.90	+0.10	6.49
High Yield	235.20	251.60	+0.10	4.38
-do- Acc	552.50	590.70	+0.20	4.38
Income	293.40	313.80†	+0.40	3.10
-do- Acc	620.40	663.50	+0.80	3.10
Japan Gth	365.60	391.00†	-6.20	...
-do- Acc	385.50	412.70	-6.60	...
Mandarin Acc	106.20	113.60	-1.50	0.79
North American	161.40	172.60	-1.10	0.54
-do- Acc	203.70	217.90	-1.20	0.54
MORGAN GRENFELL INVESTMENT FUNDS LTD 20 Finsbury Circus, London EC2M 1UT Dealing: 071 826 0826 Enquiries: 071 826 0123				
American Gth	271.20	288.60	-3.40	...
Deposit Inc	99.89	99.89†	+0.01	6.99
Deposit Acc	123.71	123.71†	+0.01	6.99
Euro Gth Acc	313.60	334.70	-2.50	...
Europa	136.30	146.38†	-1.30	...
Intl Gth	176.60	189.00	-1.60	...
Japan Tracker	81.27	86.11	-0.93	...
UK Equity Inc	164.50	177.00	+0.30	3.74
-do- Acc	202.20	217.10	+0.40	3.74
UK Ind Tracker	149.40	159.90†	...	3.02
US Eq Ind Trkr	186.70	201.10†	-1.20	1.47
-do- Acc	200.60	212.90†	-1.20	1.47
Asian Trader	177.20	191.90	-0.86	0.43
MURRAY JOHNSTONE UNIT TRUST MANAGEMENT 7 West Nile St, Glasgow G2 2PX. 0345 090 933				
American Inc	166.30	170.20†	-1.80	1.80
European	64.84	66.01†	-0.20	1.57
Olympiad	59.26	60.82†	-0.20	0.13
Global Bond	48.99	49.52†	-0.07	6.06
Smaller Cos	71.85	75.20	+0.32	1.19
Equity Income	95.86	98.43†	-0.05	5.02
UK Growth	87.01	89.79	+0.03	1.70
NM UNIT TRUST MANAGERS LTD The Bliss Centre, North Harbour, Portsmouth. Enquiries: 0705 372222 Dealing: 0705 387730				
American Acc	46.75	49.86	-0.36	1.20
Australian Acc	310.60	333.20	-3.10	...
Conscience	64.86	69.22	-0.01	1.29
-do- Acc	70.01	74.71	-0.01	1.29
European	177.70	189	+0.10	0.91
-do- Acc	191.20	203.40	+0.30	0.91
Extra Income	75.58	80.66†	+0.11	5.50
-do- Acc	117.10	124.90	+0.10	5.50
Far East Gth	177.10	189.30	-1.20	0.03
Gilt Fxd Inc	60.79	64.15†	...	6.17
Gold	41.48	44.60	-1.10	...
-do- Acc	44.67	48.03	-1.19	...
Income	55.16	58.83	+0.08	4.80
-do- Acc	168.80	180	+0.20	4.80
International	30.80	33.02	-0.21	0.67
-do- Acc	44.25	47.44	-0.32	0.67
Jap Sm Cos Acc	365.70	390	-3.00	...
S pore Mly Acc	218.30	234.10	-2.10	...
Smllr Cos Acc	26.78	28.79	-0.02	0.78
Special Sits	34.17	36.74	+0.02	1.71
-do- Acc	39.36	42.32	+0.03	1.71
Tokyo	89.46	95.42	-1.38	...
-do- Acc	90.36	96.38	-1.40	...
N&P UNIT TRUST MANAGEMENT LTD 35 Fountain St, Manchester M2 2AF 061 237 5322				
N&P UK Growth	70.02	74.49†	+0.11	2.62
N&P Gilt Fxd Int	78.95	83.55†	+0.05	5.31
N&P Higher Inc	214.80	228.60	...	4.49
N&P UK Income	108.00	114.90	+0.10	3.46
N&P Intl	91.60	97.27	+0.08	1.77
N&P Smaller Cos	79.57	84.65	+0.36	1.51
NEWTON FUND MANAGERS 71 Queen Victoria St, London EC4V 4DR 071 407 4484				
General	172.66	184.01	-0.86	2.02
Global	306.83	326.42†	-3.07	3.06
Growth	113.89	121.17	-0.09	1.63
Income	214.50	228.20	+0.16	3.70
Intl Bond	135.80	144.20	-0.07	6.76
PEARL UNIT TRUST LTD PO Box 509, Peterborough PE2 6BR 0733 470470. Dealing: 0800 626577				
Growth	145.80	153.40	-0.10	2.42
-do- Acc	258.30	271.80	-0.20	2.42
Income	232.90	247.70	-0.30	3.26
Intl Equity	231.30	246.00†	-1.80	0.71
-do- Acc	254.80	271.00	-2.00	0.71
Equity	227.50	242.00	-0.20	2.30
-do- Acc	466.40	496.20	-0.50	2.30
UK Intl 25 Acc	73.30	77.97	-0.23	1.79
UK Income	63.78	67.84	-0.12	2.82
UK Smllr Co Acc	82.94	88.23	+0.01	1.37
New Europe Acc	64.77	68.90	-0.36	0.95
PERPETUAL UNIT TRUST 48 Hart Street, Henley on Thames 0491 417000				
Asian Smllr Mkt	101.75	108.83	-0.94	0.10
PEP Growth	106.88	114.32	-0.45	1.18
Intl Gth	317.75	333.75	-2.13	0.32
Income	333.56	356.75	+0.11	2.86
W wide Recov	329.83	352.77	+1.56	0.27
American Gth	209.65	224.23	-2.00	0.01
Intl Emerg Cos	201.42	215.43	-1.69	0.11
Far East Gth	237.01	253.49	-2.79	0.01
European Gth	123.79	132.40	+0.11	0.99
UK Growth	83.57	89.38	-0.12	2.49
High Income	90.35	96.64	-0.11	4.07
Japanese Gth	227.99	242.45	-1.34	0.01
PROLIFIC UNIT TRUST MANAGERS Walbrook Hse, 23 Walbrook, London EC4N 8LD. Dealing: 0800 282443				
International	184.50	196.38	-3.80	0.66
High Income	115.50	122.80	-0.40	3.44
Conv Gilt	116.70	124.10†	-0.20	5.52
Far East	327.50	348.40	-1.10	0.06
Global Inc Acc	32.97	35.08	-0.19	4.87
PROSPERITY UNIT TRUST MANAGEMENT 1 Sessions Hse Sq, Maidstone, Kent ME14 1XX. 0622 674751				
American	50.24	53.66	-0.67	0.20
Emerging Mkts	73.05	77.71	-0.22	0.50
General	49.90	53.09	-0.08	3.02
International	87.80	93.40	-0.65	1.39
Gilt Units	27.63	28.51†	-0.03	6.98
Global PEP	37.41	39.80	-0.07	1.95
Income Gth	69.88	74.34†	-0.99	4.41
European	46.70	49.66	+0.08	0.61
Gilt/Fixed Int	27.14	28.87†	+0.04	5.41
PRUDENTIAL UNIT TRUSTS LTD 51/59 Ilford Hill, Ilford, Essex IG1 2DL 081 478 3377. Enquiries: 071 911 4400. Intermediary Dealing: 071 911 4314 Pricebank: 0426 925091				
Pru Mngd Tst	32.96	35.25	-0.17	1.51
Pru Cnt Hvst Inc	101.14	101.64†	+0.02	4.79
-do- Acc	108.32	108.84†	+0.01	4.79
Pru Equity	692.50	740.64	+0.96	2.41
Pru Equity Inc	85.22	91.14†	+0.37	4.30
Pru European	186.61	199.59	-0.16	0.83
Pru Global Gth	82.65	88.39†	-0.34	1.21
Pru High Inc	90.13	96.39†	+0.45	4.47
Pru Intl	166.31	177.87	-1.50	1.04
Pru Intl Sm Co	71.90	76.89	-0.83	0.61
Pru Japanese	209.71	224.28	-3.70	...
Pru Nth Amer	144.86	154.93	-2.37	0.80
Pru Pacific Mkt	82.72	88.47†	+0.54	1.06
Pru Prefer Inc	52.57	54.72†	...	4.95
Pru Smllr Cos	87.13	93.18	-0.26	2.15
Pru Spec Sits	102.92	110.07†	+0.05	2.28
Pru UK Growth	114.11	122.04†	+0.16	2.36
ROTHSCHILD FUND MANAGEMENT St Swithin's Lane, London EC4N 8NR Dealing: 071 634 2801/4				
FA Income	165.32	174.46	-1.71	3.45
FA Japan	292.21	310.96	-0.32	...
FA Maj UK Cos	95.57	101.99	-0.22	2.46
FA America Inc	500.43	533.14†	-4.54	0.90
-do- Acc	583.15	621.27	-5.29	0.90
FA Smlr UK Cos	282.75	305.61†	-0.27	1.51
FA European	268.27	284.60	-1.05	1.23
SAVE & PROSPER GROUP 16-22 Western Rd, Romford RM1 3LB 0708 766966 or 0800 929929 (IFAs only)				
Amer Inc Gth	72.68	77.32	-0.51	3.66
Capital Units	150.30	159.90	-0.60	1.08
Commodity	101.00	107.40†	-2.10	1.14
European Gth	168.00	178.70	-1.30	1.09
Financial Sec	183.70	195.40	-0.10	1.95
High Return	223.30	237.60	+0.30	3.53
High Yield	220.50	234.60	-0.50	3.81
Income Units	115.60	123.00†	...	4.47
Investment	191.70	203.90	+0.40	1.13
Japan Gth	168.90	179.70†	-1.90	...
Japan Smaller	198.00	210.60	-0.80	...
Masterfund	49.29	52.44	-0.25	0.86
Scotbits	274.00	291.30	-0.30	1.41
Scotshares	269.30	286.50	+0.40	2.28
Scotyields	231.60	246.40†	-0.30	3.83
Select Intl	133.80	142.30	-1.10	0.40
Smaller Cos	243.60	259.20	+0.30	3.51
Special Situation	114.70	122.00	-0.20	0.64
UK Equity	233.30	248.20†	-0.10	2.65
US Growth	137.90	146.70	-1.40	0.27
SCHRODER UNIT TRUSTS LTD Senator House, 85 Queen Victoria St, London, EC4V 4EJ. Client Enq: 0800 526 535 Broker Enq: 0800 526 540				
American	231.72	246.44	-2.86	0.58
-do- Acc	251.06	267.01	-3.09	0.58
Australian	129.09	136.65†	-2.05	0.33
-do- Acc	153.74	163.58	-2.43	0.33
UK Enterprise	232.37	247.80	-0.25	2.11
-do- Acc	271.55	289.65	-0.29	2.11
European Gth	65.11	69.29	+0.18	1.21
-do- Acc	67.62	71.97	+0.19	1.21
Euro Smllr Cos	60.43	64.40	+0.06	0.60
-do- Acc	60.84	64.84	+0.06	0.60
Far Eastern Gth	76.92	82.06†	-0.32	...
-do- Acc	78.16	83.37	-0.32	...
Fixed Interest	55.55	58.54†	-0.03	5.76
-do- Acc	69.81	73.57	-0.04	5.76
Gilt Income	108.68	114.54†	-0.11	7.01
-do- Acc	155.97	164.39	-0.15	7.01
Income	338.77	361.35†	+1.14	3.87
-do- Acc	1018.0	1085.9	+3.40	3.87
Japan Enterprise	71.15	75.89	-0.53	...
-do- Acc	71.15	75.89	-0.53	...
Japan Smllr Cos	506.10	539.84	+2.24	...
-do- Acc	507.12	540.92	+2.25	...
Pacific Gth	102.87	109.72†	-0.24	0.09
-do- Acc	105.92	112.97	-0.25	0.09
Smaller Cos	204.04	218.60	+0.08	0.82
-do- Acc	237.03	252.83	+0.09	0.82
Tokyo	116.26	124.01†	-0.26	...
-do- Acc	117.44	125.26	-0.26	...
UK Equity	224.85	239.84	+0.13	2.50
-do- Acc	422.14	450.28	+0.24	2.50
US Smllr Cos	137.38	146.53	-2.38	...
-do- Acc	137.38	146.53	-2.38	...
World Fd	74.21	79.15†	-0.13	1.69
-do- Acc	78.88	84.14	-0.13	1.69
SCOTTISH AMICABLE UNIT TRUST MANAGERS LTD 150 St Vincent St, Glasgow G2 5NQ 041 204 2200				
Equity Income	49.29	52.49	-0.39	3.72
Equity Strategy	66.24	70.55	+0.36	1.04
European Opps	77.13	82.14	-0.79	3.22
Maximum Inc	98.16	100.70	+0.01	5.38
UK Smaller Cos	58.78	62.60	+0.07	1.33
SCOTTISH LIFE INVESTMENTS 19 St Andrew Sq, Edinburgh. 031 225 2211				
UK Equity	360.80	385.30	-0.40	2.70
American	347.40	363.20	-3.00	0.74
Pacific	354.60	379.30	-4.80	0.55
European	477.90	511.10	-1.00	1.07
Worldwide	85.00	90.91	-0.63	1.06
SCOTTISH MUTUAL INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT 109 St Vincent St, Glasgow G2 5HN 041 248 6100				
UK Equity	313.20	333.20	-1.90	2.74
UK Sm Cos Eqty	222.90	237.20	+0.30	1.53
European	348.40	370.70	-2.00	1.59
North American	255.30	271.60	-3.20	0.59
Income Plus Inc	69.85	74.31†	-0.36	3.77
UK Spec Sits	72.79	77.44	+0.50	2.46
SCOTTISH PROVIDENT INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT LTD 6 St Andrew Sq, Edinburgh EH2 2YA 031 556 2341/2/3				
Equity Gth Acc	27.19	29.10	-0.04	2.70
Intl Growth Acc	30.53	32.68	-0.30	1.33
Market Ldrs Acc	27.34	29.05	-0.17	2.74
FOR SGTR TRUSTS SEE HENDERSON				
SINGER & FRIEDLANDER INVESTMENT FUNDS LTD 21 New Street, Bishopsgate, London EC2M 2HR 071 626 6226				
European	106.80	...	-0.40	
Global Bond	106.60	...	-0.20	7.06
Japan Samurai	101.20	...	+0.30	
UK Growth	102.10	...	+0.20	3.86
STANDARD LIFE TRUST MANAGEMENT LTD 3 George St, Edinburgh EH2 2XZ 0800 393777				
Managed	46.69	49.61	-0.20	1.48
Equity Gth Acc	64.52	68.56	-0.20	1.04
UK Eq General	44.11	46.87	-0.10	2.06
-do- Acc	58.24	61.89	-0.10	2.06
European Acc	43.74	46.48	-0.50	0.71
Far East Acc	60.25	64.02	-0.40	0.24
Gilt Fxd Int Inc	33.59	35.53	+0.10	5.74
N American Acc	42.72	45.40	-0.20	0.05
O/S Lgr Cos Acc	290.80	315.60	-3.00	1.30
UK Eq High Inc	38.24	40.63	-0.10	3.51
-do- Acc	45.42	48.26	-0.10	3.51
UK Lgr Cos Inc	307.10	333.30	-0.10	3.60
UK Lgr Cos Acc	400.00	434.00	-0.10	3.60
STATE STREET UNIT TRUST MANAGEMENT LTD Birchin Court, 20 Birchin Lane, London EC3V 9AQ. 071 626 1977				
Global A	N253.77	N254.00	.	1.33
US Eq	$2.189	$2.325	..	1.15
Far East Eq	Y252.6	Y268.3	...	
Japan Eq	Y256.7	Y272.7	...	..
FT Europe	118.80	126.20	...	2.07
FT North Am	$1.748	$1.853	...	1.29
FT Japan	Y250.8	Y266.4	..	..
FT Asia Ex Jap	$2.074	$2.203	...	1.30
STEWART IVORY UNIT TRUST MANAGERS 45 Charlotte Sq, Edinburgh 031 226 3271				
American	340.70	363.30	-3.00	0.32
British	994.40	1052.1†	+1.20	3.89
European	419.60	446.90	-1.10	1.31
Japan	157.00	166.60	-0.80	..
New Pacific	319.40	340.20	-1.00	0.44
Mngd Cash	96.05	96.05	...	5.17
Majority Stdg	100.25	101.25	+0.01	4.84
Inv TR	204.00	216.20†	-0.20	1.66
Selags PPP	403.80	425.00	...	...
SUN ALLIANCE Admin. 5 Rayleigh Rd, Hutton, Essex 0277 227300 Dealing: 0277 690389				
Equity Acc	767.40	820.70	+0.10	2.74
N America Acc	117.90	126.10	-1.40	0.10
Far East Acc	133.10	142.40	-0.90	0.27
W wide Bond	63.23	67.13	-0.07	5.21
European	89.20	95.40	+0.06	0.61
Equity Income	89.12	95.32	+0.34	3.66
SUN LIFE OF CANADA Basingview, Basingstoke, Hants RG21 2DZ Dealing: 0256 841414				
American Gth	33.30	35.62†	-0.20	0.48
Managed Assets	124.23	132.87	-0.40	2.91
UK Income	38.85	41.56	-0.13	2.73
UK Growth	38.21	40.87	-0.11	2.06
Worldwide Gth	32.27	34.52†	-0.15	0.51
TSB UNIT TRUSTS LTD Charlton Place, Andover, Hants. SP10 1RE 0264 346794				
American	208.93	222.27†	-3.50	...
-do- Acc	230.13	244.83†	-3.85	...
British Gth	90.94	96.74	-0.05	1.84
-do- Acc	106.95	113.78	+0.06	1.94
European	101.80	108.30†	+0.41	0.72
-do- Acc	108.19	115.10†	+0.44	0.72
Extra Inc	196.94	209.51†	+0.01	3.88
-do- Acc	321.56	342.09†	+0.02	3.86
General Unit	274.12	291.62	+0.12	2.38
-do- Acc	547.57	582.52	+0.23	2.38
Income	344.51	366.50	+0.57	3.45
-do- Acc	715.89	761.58	+1.15	3.45
International	499.95	531.86	-3.26	0.24
-do- Acc	654.49	696.26	-4.27	0.24
Pacific	363.97	387.20	+0.82	...
-do- Acc	382.44	406.85	+0.86	...
Premier Income	54.54	58.01	+0.10	6.55
-do- Acc	115.32	120.13	+0.22	6.55
Nat Resources	125.22	133.21	-1.16	...
-do- Acc	137.43	146.20	-0.75	...
Selected Opps	103.47	110.07†	-0.19	1.17
-do- Acc	130.50	138.83†	-0.24	1.17
THORNTON UNIT MANAGERS LTD Swan House, 33 Queen St, London EC4R 1AX 071 246 3000 Dealing: 071 246 3001				
Amer Sml Cos	68.32	72.87	-0.78	...
-do- Acc	70.47	75.16	-0.79	...
European Opps	64.57	68.52	-0.06	0.43
-do- Acc	65.24	69.24	-0.06	0.43
Japan	93.64	99.88	-0.98	...
-do- Acc	93.64	99.88	-0.98	...
Little Dragons	81.27	86.68	-0.90	0.57
-do- Acc	83.66	89.23	-0.93	0.57
Oriental Income	45.83	48.88	-0.46	3.25
-do- Acc	58.42	62.31	-0.60	3.25
Tiger	226.52	241.62	-1.86	1.09
-do- Acc	237.97	253.83	-1.97	1.09
UK Small Cos	90.17	95.36	+0.70	1.67
-do- Acc	104.02	111.35	+0.81	1.67
WAVERLEY UNIT TRUST MANAGEMENT LTD 13 Charlotte Sq, Edinburgh EH2 4DJ 031 225 1551				
Australasian Gold	16.83	17.90	-0.70	0.50
Pacific Basin	34.78	37	-0.50	0.60
Canadian Gth	35.13	37.37	-0.72	..
Global Bond	$0.99	$1.03†	+0.004	6.86
Penny Share	26.89	28.60	-0.13	1.50
WHITTINGDALE UNIT TRUST MANAGERS 2 Honey Lane, London EC2V 8BT 071 606 3132				
City Reserve	53.28	53.28	...	4.89
Gilt Growth	73.56	76.55	+0.03	..
Gilt Income	55.21	57.45	+0.03	7.25
Short Dtd Gilt	111.70	113.20	...	...
US Govmnt Bd	$0.720	$0.729	-0.000	..
Challenger	99.44	101.90	...	..
WOOLWICH UNIT TRUST MANAGERS LTD 2 White Oak Square, Swanley BR8 7AG 081 298 4000				
Stockmarket Fd	71.94	76.53	-0.06	1.82

Source: Finstat

* Yield expressed as CAR (Compound Annual Return); † Ex dividend; ‡ Middle price; ...No significant data.

FT-SE VOLUMES

ASDA Gp	8,800	Cadbury	3,800	MB Cardn	1,900	Scot Power	1,400
Abbey Natl	3,900	Carlton C	482	Marks Spr	4,400	Sears	7,600
Alld-Lyons	1,600	Coats Vyla	10,000	NFC	3,200	Svrn Trent	1,000
Anglian W	654	Cm Union	790	NatWst Bk	5,300	Shell Trans	2,900
Argyll Gp	1,500	Courtaulds	4,800	Nat Power	1,100	Siebe	410
Arjo Wiggn	3,400	De La Rue	540	Nth Wst W	2,200	SmKl Bch	9,700
AB Foods	334	Enterpr Oil	2,500	Nthn Fds	2,000	Smith Nph	2,600
BAA	948	Forte	1,100	P & O	8,300	Std Chartd	754
BAT Inds	3,700	GRE	2,100	Pearson	2,700	Sun Allnce	826
BOC	3,700	GUS A	817	PowerGen	2,400	TI Gp	850
BP	3,900	Gen Acc	534	Prudential	3,500	TSB	2,100
BT	10,000	Gen Elec	4,800	RMC	1,000	Tate & Lyle	2,800
BTR	23,000	Glaxo	24,000	RTZ	2,000	Tesco	4,800
Bk of Scot	4,300	Granada	138	Rank Org	413	Thames W	1,000
Barclays	7,000	Grand Met	2,300	Reckitt Col	256	Thrn EMI	917
Bass	1,400	Guinness	1,300	Redland	1,800	Tomkins	2,700
Blue Circle	12,000	HSBC	968	Reed Intl	950	Unilever	949
Boots	2,300	Hanson	13,000	Rentokil	354	Utd Bisc	2,200
Bowater	705	ICI	2,700	Reuters	317	Vodafone	7,100
Brit Aero	633	Inchcape	772	Rothmans	1,500	Warburg (SG)	226
Brit Airwys	3,200	Kingfisher	4,600	Ryl Ins	3,100	Wellcome	2,100
Brit Gas	3,900	Ladbroke	4,400	Ryl Bk Scot	3,000	Whitbd 'A'	2,100
Brit Steel	20,000	Land Secs	876	Sainsbury	1,200	Wlms Hld	1,300
Burmah C	118	Legal & Gn	125	Scot Hydro	928	Wolseley	296
Cable Wire	2,300	Lloyds Bk	5,700	Scot & New	201	Zeneca	3,000

MAJOR INDICES

New York (midday):
Dow Jones 3593.13 (+4.20)
S&P Composite 457.74 (+1.09)

Tokyo:
Nikkei Av'ge 20825.58 (-92.61)

Hong Kong:
Hang Seng 7586.76 (-20.37)

Amsterdam:
CBS Tendency 124.6 (+0.7)

Sydney: AO 1931.4 (-8.1)

Frankfurt:
DAX 1960.81 (-4.48)

FT 30 share: 2366.8 (-5.9)

Brussels:
General 6713.22 (+2.15)

Paris: CAC 584.52 (-1.34)

Zurich: SKA Gen 596.50 (-2.80)

London:
FT A All-Share 1508.51 (-0.85)
FT 500 1627.44 (-1.39)
FT Gold Mines 155.1 (+5.8)
FT Fixed Interest 125.04 (-0.94)
FT Govt Secs 102.54 (-0.15)
Bargains 27757
SEAQ Volume 726.7m
USM (Datastrm) 144.96 (+0.15)

TRADITIONAL OPTIONS

First Dealings	Last Dealings	Last Declaration	For Settlement
August 23	September 10	November 25	December 6

Call options were taken out on 9/9/93: Aminex, Caverdale, Ex-Lands, Harmony Leisure, HTV, IBC, Marshalls, Monument Oil & Gas, Proteus, Sleepy Kids, Stonehill, TI Group, Waverley.

Puts & Calls: Betterware, Cannon Street Inv.

LONDON FINANCIAL FUTURES

	Period	Open	High	Low	Close	Volume
FT-SE 100	Sep 93	3038.0	3057.0	3026.0	3039.0	17007
Previous open interest: 55969	Dec 93	3059.5	3075.0	3047.5	3060.5	4352
Three Month Sterling	Sep 93	94.08	94.08	94.04	94.05	8382
Previous open interest: 366120	Dec 93	94.42	94.45	94.35	94.36	54112
	Mar 94	94.63	94.64	94.56	94.57	13390
Three Mth Eurodollar	Sep 93	96.80	96.81	96.78	96.78	679
Previous open interest: 14924	Dec 93	96.53	96.53	96.49	96.50	77
Three Mth Euro DM	Sep 93	93.51	93.55	93.48	93.48	43704
Previous open interest: 685068	Dec 93	94.14	94.19	94.07	94.08	72872
Long Gilt	Sep 93	114-06	114-20	113-31	114-02	714
Previous open interest: 93852	Dec 93	114-05	114-18	113-21	113-31	77904
Japanese Govmt Bond	Dec 93	111.90	112.13	111.89	111.96	3351
	Mar 94				111.22	0
German Gov Bd Bund	Dec 93	98.57	98.75	98.26	98.37	113097
Previous open interest: 145066	Mar 94	98.44	98.44	98.35	98.37	9
German Gov Bd Bobl	Dec 93	101.32	101.46	101.18	101.27	2228
Previous open interest: 14508	Mar 94					0
Three month ECU	Sep 93	92.27	92.40	92.22	92.30	1133
Previous open interest: 32615	Dec 93	93.43	93.50	93.35	93.40	2628
Euro Swiss Franc	Sep 93	95.34	95.34	95.29	95.30	3980
Previous open interest: 56802	Dec 93	95.60	95.65	95.58	95.58	6354
Italian Govmt Bond	Dec 93	114.61	115.26	113.90	114.20	40217
Previous open interest: 57279	Mar 94				113.80	0

LIFFE OPTIONS

	Series	Calls Oct	Calls Jan	Calls Apr	Puts Oct	Puts Jan	Puts Apr
Alld Lyon	550	54½	63	71	5	12½	16
(*596)	600	21½	31	41	19½	33	36½
Argyll	300	23	29½	35½	5	12	15
(*316½)	330	6½	14½	21	20½	28	30½
ASDA	57	10	—	—	1½	—	—
(*65½)	67	3½	—	—	5	—	—
Boots	460	45	52½	62	4	10½	15½
(*497½)	500	16	26	38	18½	27	32½
Br Airways	360	19½	31	39½	13	23	28½
(*364)	390	6	17½	26	32	41	45
BP	280	24½	30½	35	4	7½	11
(*294½)	300	11	19	23½	9½	15½	19
Br Steel	110	8	13½	16½	6½	11	12½
(*110½)	120	3½	8½	12½	13	16½	18½
C & W	800	49½	67½	83	9½	22½	28½
(*837½)	850	19½	39	54½	32	46½	52½
CU	580	38	—	—	6	—	—
(*606)	629	11	—	—	29½	—	—
ICI	661	43½	65	—	9	21	—
(*709)	750	8	25½	34½	48	57	71
Kingfshr	632	27½	—	—	15½	—	—
(*646)	680	17½	37	50½	26	35	41½
Land Sec	650	30½	43	56	10½	23	28½
(*663½)	700	7½	19	31½	40½	51	56
M & S	300	34	40	47	3½	—	11½
(*336)	390	13½	22	29	13	19½	23½
Nat West	460	31½	45	50½	6	14	22
(*482½)	500	9	23	29	25½	32½	43
Sainsbury	460	39	49	59	5½	14	18
(*490)	500	13½	25½	35	22	31½	36½
Shell	650	13	30	36½	18	27½	36½
(*654)	700	2	11½	16½	59½	61½	68½
Smkl Bch	420	25	37	46½	13	24	29½
(*429½)	460	9½	20½	29½	39	47	51
Storehse	220	16	22½	26½	5	11	13½
(*229)	240	5½	12½	16	15	22	24½
Trafalgar	101	7½	—	—	5	—	—
(*103)	110	3½	7½	11	10½	14	15
Unilever	1050	37	60	72½	20½	34½	46½
(*1061)	1100	14½	35½	48	49½	62	73
Zeneca	700	47	65½	75½	13	26	42
(*734)	750	18	38½	49½	38	51	67½

	Series	Calls Oct	Calls Feb	Calls May	Puts Oct	Puts Feb	Puts May
Grnd Met	420	33	34	41	9	22	26
(*429½)	460	6½	15½	23	34	45½	45½
Ladbroke	200	10½	18½	21½	11	17	22½
(*203)	220	3½	11	13½	26	30	35½
Utd Bisc	360	22	33½	37	11½	20½	29
(*371)	390	7½	20½	23½	30½	37½	46½

	Series	Calls Nov	Calls Jan	Calls Apr	Puts Nov	Puts Jan	Puts Apr
BAA	800	44½	57½	68½	17	27	32½
(*817½)	850	19	29	43½	44	53½	59
Thames W	500	44	48½	57	6	11	14½
(*534½)	550	12½	19	28½	29½	34	38

	Series	Calls Nov	Calls Feb	Calls May	Puts Nov	Puts Feb	Puts May
BAT Ind	425	37½	49½	—	6½	12½	—
(*447)	450	21½	33½	—	16	22½	—
BTR	360	28½	37½	40½	6	10½	14
(*384½)	390	10½	19½	23½	19½	24½	28½
Br Aero	420	30	57½	69½	25	39	47½
(*430½)	460	20	36	48	49	62½	70
Br Telcm	390	—	39	46	3½	9½	11½
(*416½)	420	14	18	28½	12	23	25
Cadbury	460	24	36	30	12½	20½	28½
(*470½)	500	7½	17½	21½	40	44	52
Guinness	460	33½	48½	54	11½	19	30½
(*482)	500	13	27	33	32	36½	48
GEC	330	25	31	37	5½	10	13
(*345)	360	8½	15½	21½	20	26	28
Hanson	240	16	20	22	6	10½	12½
(*247½)	260	6	11	13	16	21	23½
LASMO	130	15	20½	24	7	10½	13
(*137)	140	9½	16	19½	12	16	18½
Lucas	140	23	26½	29	4	7	9
(*156½)	160	8½	14	17	13	16	18½
Pilkington	140	21	24	26½	3	7	9
(*155½)	160	8½	13	16	11	17	19
Prudential	330	13	22	24½	14	19	25
(*331½)	360	4	9½	12½	36	38½	44
Redland	500	54½	65½	72	9	15½	29½
(*547½)	550	22½	34	45	31	37½	54
Royal Ins	288	36	43	—	4	7½	—
(*315)	317	16	25½	—	14½	19	—
Tesco	220	12½	19½	23	11	15½	19½
(*222)	240	5	11½	14½	24½	28	32
Vodafone	460	48	56½	65½	12	21	24½
(*499)	500	24½	33½	44½	29	39	44½
Williams	330	14½	24	27½	16	21½	28
(*331)	360	4½	12	15½	38½	41	47

FT-SE INDEX (*3031½)

	2900	2950	3000	3050	3100	3150
Calls						
Sep	143	94	47	14	2	1
Oct	155	112	75	44	24	11
Nov	173	135	99	69	46	29
Dec	192	155	121	90	67	47
Jun	263	—	200	—	149	—
Puts						
Sep	1½	2½	8	26	69	119
Oct	11	19	31	52	83	124
Nov	22	33	48	69	97	133
Dec	33	46	63	83	111	143
Jun	94	—	121	—	169	—

	Series	Calls Sep	Calls Dec	Calls Mar	Puts Sep	Puts Dec	Puts Mar
Abby Nat	390	15	30	38	1½	11½	19
(*401½)	420	1½	14½	20	20	27	35
Amstrad	35	4½	7	9½	1	2½	3½
(*38)	40	1½	4½	6	2½	5	6
Barclays	500	8	29½	41	5½	18½	29½
(*502½)	550	1	9	19	50	52½	59½
Blue Circ	280	7½	19½	28½	3½	16½	22½
(*285)	300	1½	11	19	19	29	34
Br Gas	300	31	34	38	1	5	8
(*329½)	330	4	17½	22	4	16½	22½
Dixons	220	13	24½	32½	2	11	16½
(*230½)	240	2½	14½	22½	13	21	26½
Forte	240	6	17	22	11	15	21
(*242½)	260	1	8½	15½	19½	27½	33
Hillsdwn	160	11	15	19½	1½	9	13
(*168)	180	1	6½	11½	13½	22	24
Lonrho	110	10½	16½	20	1	5	8½
(*119)	120	2	11	15	3½	9½	13½
Sears	110	6	9½	12½	1	5	6½
(*115)	120	1	6½	7½	7½	11	12½
Thrn EMI	950	21½	57	71	6½	29	42
(*966½)	1000	2	31	47	40	56	57½
Tomkins	220	6½	15	23	2½	10½	14½
(*224)	240	1	5½	14	19	22½	23
TSB	180	21	25½	30	1	3	7½
(*199)	200	3½	12	17½	4	10	16
Wellcome	700	36	63½	54	3	31½	44½
(*730½)	750	5	37½	57½	28½	59½	69½

	Series	Calls Sep	Calls Dec	Calls Apr	Puts Sep	Puts Dec	Puts Apr
Glaxo	600	34	54	75½	3½	36	52½
(*628½)	650	5	31	52½	27½	63½	79½
HSBC	700	12½	41½	62½	10½	38	58
(*702½)	750	1	21½	41½	51	70	88
Reuter	1500	38	104½	142	7	59½	75
(*1531½)	1550	9	76	115	30	74	98½

	Series	Calls Sep	Calls Dec	Calls Feb	Puts Sep	Puts Dec	Puts Feb
R-Royce	137	12½	18	20½	0½	7	9
(*147½)	156	0½	9½	12½	10½	17½	19½

	Series	Calls Oct	Calls Dec	Calls Mar	Puts Oct	Puts Dec	Puts Mar
Fisons	160	15	18	24	5	9	13½
(*169½)	180	5	8½	15	16	21½	25½

	Series	Calls Nov	Calls Feb	Calls May	Puts Nov	Puts Feb	Puts May
Eastrn Elc	500	48½	56½	62½	4½	11½	14
(*537½)	550	16½	25	33½	23½	33	35½

	Series	Calls Sep	Calls Dec	Calls Mar	Puts Sep	Puts Dec	Puts Mar
Natl Pwr	360	14	25	33	1	11	15½
(*372½)	390	1	10½	18½	19½	27½	31
Scot Pwr	330	21	30½	34½	1	5½	9½
(*349½)	350	3½	18	—	4½	12½	—

September 9, 1993 Tot: 41660 Call: 28663 Put: 12997 FT-SE-Call: 6348 Put: 3978

*Underlying security price.

COMMODITIES

GNI REPORT: Good volume has been seen in the London coffee market over the past few weeks, as the recent rally has gathered steam. *The recent move has been helped by talk that* the coffee producers may discuss raising the target coffee prices at a meeting in Bogota next week. Just the concept of the coffee retention scheme has pushed prices up by 60%, making certain parties keen to widen the goal posts.

LONDON COMMODITY EXCHANGE

COCOA

Sep	832 BID	Dec	933-931
Dec	865-864	Mar	948-947
Mar	890-889	May	955 BID
May	899-897	Jul	953 BID
Jul	909-907		
Sep	920-918		Volume: 6626

ROBUSTA COFFEE ($)

Sep	1364-1360	May	1250-1247
Nov	1295-1294	Jul	1240-1220
Jan	1265-1264	Sep	1240-1220
Mar	1256-1254		Volume: 3935

RAW SUGAR (FOB)

		Dec	unq
		Mar	—
Spot unq			
May	unq	May	—
Aug	—	Aug	—
Oct	—		Volume: 0

WHITE SUGAR (FOB)

Reuters		May	269.6-68.5
Spot: 281.6		Aug	275.1-73.8
Oct	267.4-66.7	Oct	266.5-62.8
Dec	263.4-62.7	Dec	268.5-63.2
Mar	266.0-65.5		Volume: 721

MEAT & LIVESTOCK COMMISSION
Average fatstock prices at representative markets on September 9

(p/kg lw)	Pig	Sheep	Cattle
GB	69.26	80.57	127.10
(+/-)	-2.13	-3.45	-2.36
Eng/Wales	69.29	80.64	126.66
(+/-)	-2.18	-3.79	-3.75
(%)	+3.3	-24.9	+2.6
Scotland	66.68	80.13	129.31
(+/-)	+1.47	-1.98	-0.41
(%)	-20.4	-43.1	+2.0

LONDON MEAT FUTURES
Live Pig (£/kg)

	Open	Close		Open	Close
Aug	unq	-	Mar	unq	-
Sep	unq	-		Volume: 0	

GNI LONDON GRAIN FUTURES

WHEAT (close £/t)

Sep	100.45
Nov	101.95
Jan	103.95
Mar	106.00
May	108.20
	Volume: 365

BARLEY (close £/t)

Sep	100.00
Nov	101.75
Jan	104.15
Mar	106.30
May	107.40
	Volume: 32

HI-PRO SOYA (close £/t)

Aug	unq
Oct	—
Dec	—
Feb	—
Apr	—
	Volume: 0

POTATO

(£/t)	Open	Close
Nov	unq	75.0
Apr	83.0	82.0
May	95.5	94.8
		Volume: 96

RUBBER
No 1 RSS Cif (p/k)
Oct 60.75-61.25

ICIS-LOR (London 6.00pm): Despite a large US crude drawdown, physical availabilities were such that crude failed to rally.

CRUDE OILS ($/barrel FOB)

Brent Physical	15.75	+0.05
Brent 15 day (Sep)	15.75	+0.05
Brent 15 day (Oct)	16.05	+0.05
W Texas Intermediate (Oct)	17.10	+0.05
W Texas Intermediate (Nov)	17.45	n/c

PRODUCTS ($/MT)
Spot CIF NW Europe (prompt delivery)

	Bid	Offer
Premium Gas .15	186 (n/c)	188 (n/c)
Gasoil EEC	159 (+1)	161 (+1)
Non EEC 1H Sep	162 (+2)	164 (+2)
Non EEC 1H Oct	163 (+2)	164 (+1)
3.5 Fuel Oil	60 (n/c)	62 (n/c)
Naphtha	151 (n/c)	152 (n/c)

IPE FUTURES
GNI Ltd

GAS OIL

Sep	158.75-59.00	Dec	163.50-64.00
Oct	159.75-60.00	Jan	165.25-65.50
Nov	161.75-62.00	Feb	165.25-65.50
			Vol: 17241

BRENT (6.00pm)

Oct	16.08-16.09	Jan	16.68-16.73
Nov	16.31-16.32	Feb	16.87-16.89
Dec	16.50-16.53		Vol: 22564

UNLEADED GASOLINE

Sep	177.00-77.50	Dec	165.00-75.25
Oct	171.50-72.00	Jan	unq
Nov	169.00-75.00		Vol: 120

BIFFEX
GNI Ltd ($10/pt)

	High	Low	Close
Sep 93	1440	1440	1438
Oct 93	1490	1475	1486
Nov 93	1500	1480	1485
Jan 94	1500	1480	1485

Vol: 118 lots. Open int'st: 2997 Index 1409 +3

LONDON METAL EXCHANGE Rudolf Wolff

(Official) (Volume prev day)	Cash	3mth	Vol
Copper Gde A ($/tonne)	1966.0-1967.0	1916.0-1917.0	2166050
Lead ($/tonne)	385.00-386.00	398.00-398.50	112800
Zinc Spec Hi Gde ($/tonne)	876.50-877.00	893.50-894.00	349375
Tin ($/tonne)	4565.0-4575.0	4615.0-4620.0	10020
Aluminium Hi Gde ($/tonne)	1123.5-1124.5	1144.0-1144.5	1110400
Nickel ($/tonne)	4490.0-4495.0	4542.0-4545.0	30682

MONEY MARKETS

Exchange index compared with 1985 was same at 81.6 (day's range 81.4-81.8).

STERLING SPOT AND FORWARD RATES

Mkt Rates for Sept 9	Range	Close	1 month	3 month
Amsterdam	2.7845-2.8009	2.7863-2.7898	1/8-1/4ds	1/8-3/8ds
Brussels	53.78-54.47	53.94-54.22	26-33ds	64-76ds
Copenhagen	10.2740-10.3360	10.2830-10.3060	3 3/8-5 7/8ds	11 1/4-13 7/8ds
Dublin	1.0770-1.0810	1.0774-1.0805	8-12ds	20-28ds
Frankfurt	2.4761-2.4932	2.4805-2.4829	1/8-1/4ds	1/4-1/2ds
Lisbon	254.82-257.15	255.60-256.55	118-128ds	319-345ds
Madrid	201.03-202.74	201.16-201.61	71-82ds	211-231ds
Milan	2404.00-2418.00	2405.60-2410.30	6-8ds	19-22ds
Montreal	2.0278-2.0429	2.0395-2.0425	0.29-0.20pr	0.49-0.33pr
New York	1.5400-1.5520	1.5510-1.5520	0.37-0.35pr	1.06-1.03pr
Oslo	10.8570-10.9250	10.8640-10.8880	3/8-1ds	3/8-1 1/8ds
Paris	8.7420-8.7970	8.7470-8.7690	1-1 5/8ds	3 1/4-3 3/4ds
Stockholm	12.2140-12.2970	12.2400-12.2640	1 5/8-3ds	4 7/8-6 3/8ds
Tokyo	162.00-163.33	163.01-163.28	1/2-3/8pr	1 3/8-1 1/4pr
Vienna	17.43-17.58	17.51-17.54	1-3ds	2 7/8-4 3/8ds
Zurich	2.1717-2.1872	2.1717-2.1747	1/4-3/8ds	3/4-1/2pr

Source: Extel — *Premium - pr. Discount - ds.*

OTHER STERLING

Argentina peso*	1.5479-1.5505
Australia dollar	2.3682-2.3716
Bahrain dinar	0.5745-0.5865
Brazil cruzeiro*	155.10-156.45
Cyprus pound	0.756-0.766
Finland markka	8.752-8.868
Greece drachma	353.0-360.0
Hong Kong dollar	11.9947-12.0040
India rupee	48.00-48.96
Kuwait dinar KD	0.457-0.467
Malaysia ringgit	4.8197-4.8259
Mexico peso	4.72-4.82
New Zealand dollar	2.8112-2.8166
Saudi Arabia riyal	5.712-5.838
Singapore dollar	2.4808-2.4840
S Africa rand (fin)	7.4520-7.5035
S Africa rand (com)	5.2785-5.2851
U A E dirham	5.593-5.717

*Barclays Bank GTS * Lloyds Bank*

DOLLAR SPOT RATES

Australia	1.5278-1.5290
Austria	11.22-11.23
Belgium (Com)	34.69-34.70
Canada	1.3142-1.3147
Denmark	6.6240-6.6330
France	5.6375-5.6385
Germany	1.6000-1.6010
Hong Kong	7.7360-7.7370
Ireland	1.4470-1.4490
Italy	1548.5-1549.5
Japan	105.20-105.30
Malaysia	2.5422-2.5432
Netherlands	1.7980-1.7990
Norway	7.0050-7.0100
Portugal	164.55-164.65
Singapore	1.5997-1.6007
Spain	129.70-129.90
Sweden	7.8970-7.9070
Switzerland	1.4045-1.4055

MONEY RATES (%)

Base Rates: Clearing Banks 6 Finance Hse 6

Discount Market Loans: O/night high: 7 Low 4 Week fixed: 5 11/16

Treasury Bills (Dis): Buy: 2 mth 5 7/16; 3 mth 5 3/16. Sell: 2 mth 5 3/8; 3 mth: 5 3/8.

	1 mth	2 mth	3 mth	6 mth	12 mth
Prime Bank Bills (Dis):	5 3/4-5 11/16	5 3/4-5 11/16	5 11/16-5 5/8	5 1/2-5 7/16	
Sterling Money Rates:	5 25/32-5 3/4	5 25/32-5 3/4	5 25/32-5 3/4	5 11/16-5 5/8	5 1/2-5 3/8
Interbank:	5 7/8-5 3/4	5 7/8-5 3/4	5 25/32-5 3/4	5 23/32-5 5/8	5 5/8-5 1/2

Overnight: open 7, close 4.

	1 mth	2 mth	3 mth	6 mth	12 mth
Local Authority Deps:	5 3/4	n/a	5 3/4	5 5/8	5 1/2
Sterling CDs:	5 3/4-5 11/16	5 3/4-5 11/16	5 25/32-5 3/4	5 11/16-5 5/8	5 19/32-5 17/32
Dollar CDs:	3.05-3.00	n/a	3.09-3.04	3.23-3.18	3.40-3.35
Building Society CDs:	5 25/32-5 27/32	5 25/32-5 23/32	5 25/32-5 23/32	5 5/8-5 11/16	5 11/16-5 5/8

ECGD: Fixed Rate Sterling Export Finance. Make-up day: August 31, 1993 Agreed rates Sept 26, 1993 to Oct 25, 1993 Scheme III: 7.15 %. *Reference rate July 31, 1993 to* August 31, 1993 Scheme IV & V: 5.896 %.

EUROPEAN MONEY DEPOSITS (%)

Currency	7 day	1 mth	3 mth	6 mth	Call
Dollar:	3-2 7/8	3 1/8-3	3 1/16-2 15/16	3 3/8-3 1/4	3 1/4-2 3/4
Deutschemark:	7 1/8-6 7/8	6 31/32-6 27/32	6 5/8-6 1/2	6 3/8-6 1/4	7-6
French Franc:	7 5/8-7 3/8	7 9/16-7 7/16	7 3/8-7 1/4	6 7/8-6 3/4	8-7
Swiss Franc:	4 5/8-4 1/2	4 15/32-4 11/32	4 11/32-4 7/32	4 5/32-4 1/32	5-4
Yen:	3-2 3/4	2 3/8-2 1/4	2 3/8-2 1/4	2 5/16-2 3/16	3 1/2-2 1/2

GOLD AND PRECIOUS METALS (Baird & Co)

Bullion: Open $350.60-351.00 Close: $353.90-354.40 High: $354.30-354.80 Low: $349.70-350.20 Krugerrand: $353.00-356.00 (£227.00-229.00)

Sovereigns: Old $82.00-85.00 (£52.00-54.00) New $82.00-85.00 (£52.00-54.00)

Platinum: $357.65 (£230.75) Silver: $4.28 (£2.755) Palladium: $117.85 (£76.05)

Small losses on the day

ACCOUNT DAYS: Dealings began September 6. Dealings end September 17. §Contango day September 20. Settlement day September 27. §Forward bargains are permitted on two previous business days. Prices recorded are at market close. Changes are calculated on the previous day's close, but adjustments are made when a stock is ex-dividend. Changes, yields and price/earnings ratios are based on middle prices.

BANKS, DISCOUNT, HP

1993 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
425	345	Abbey Nd	402	+2	11.5	3.6	15.5
284	179	Allied Irish	262	-2	...	3.9	14.6
197½	130	Aus New Z	173	+2	...	4.9	...
3806½	2712½	Bankamerica	3087½	+75	...	...	...
255	177	Bk of Ireland	244	-1	...	3.0	19.6
390	325	Bk Leumi UK	350	...	17.0	6.1	...
176	116½	Bank Scotland	171	+½	4.5	3.3	34.1
517	382	Barclays	503	-3	...	...	...
4½	2	Benchmark	4½	...	...	...	...
21	15½	Carlisle	20	...	...	...	...
570	395	Cater Allen	568	...	27.0	5.9	...
153	85	Cattles	145 †	...	...	3.6	19.3
3450	1787½	Chase Manh	2312½	...	...	...	...
2243½	1347½	Citicorp	2187½	+31½	...	...	...
435	250	Close Bros	425	+10	...	2.8	18.9
£130½	9275	Commerzbk	£126½	-62½	...	3.2	...
£317½	£250½	Deutsche Bk	£307½	-112½	...	1.9	...
95	45	First Nat Fin	89	+1	...	0.7	...
1651	876	Fuji Bank Y	1500	-8	...	0.4	...
494	343	Gerrard Nat	494	...	21.5	5.4	13.1
774	490	HSBC	703	-5	19.0	3.4	16.7
752	474	HSBC HK	688	-6	19.0	3.5	16.3
389	243	Hambros	362	+2	14.0	4.8	16.7
413	313	Joseph (L)	410	...	16.6	5.1	...
158	96	King Shaxson	146	-1	9.0	7.7	...
508	312	Kleinwort Ben	490	+2	16.0	4.1	17.0
591	492	Lloyds	555	+10	18.4	4.1	15.9
118	63	Lon Scot Bk	104	+½	3.0	3.6	20.6
527	332	Nat Aust Bk	475	-5	...	4.0	17.6
512	398	Nat West	483	+3	17.5	4.5	20.3
460	270	Provident	422 †	-2	11.4	3.4	18.3
54	39	Rea Bros	51 †	...	0.5	1.2	54.2
305	207	Ryl Bk Scot	300	+1	8.8	3.7	...
1335	467½	Schroders	1300	+22	...	1.1	25.8
994	576	Stand Chart	951	-5	20.0	2.6	...
218	145½	TSB	199	+1	6.4	4.0	...
190	78	Union Disc	167	...	...	...	...
815	529	Warburg SG	802	-3	...	3.0	30.2
286	185	-do- 6% 'A'	280	...	...	2.7	...
7850	4843½	Wells Fargo	7531½	-62½	...	1.4	...
187	121	Westpac	171	-1	...	4.2	...
280	188	Wintrust	280	...	9.3	4.2	25.0

BREWERIES

1993 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
646	517	Allied-Lyons	596	+1	...	4.4	16.1
647	441	Bass	492	+6	18.9	4.8	10.7
289	189	Boddington	275	+2	7.3	3.4	15.9
459	362	Bulmer (HP)	459	...	...	2.8	20.0
167	129	Burtonwd Brw	165	...	4.7	3.6	13.8
130	75	Eldridge P 'A'	128	+1	...	3.2	33.9
68½	50	Fosters Brewing	53	...	...	4.8	7.8
425	338	Fullr Sm 'A'	423	...	7.4	2.2	18.1
480	383	Grand Met	429	-6	12.3	3.6	14.2
422	347	Greenalls Grp	384	...	11.7	3.8	12.7
572	505	Greene King	569	...	...	2.7	16.1
521	437	Guinness	483	-½	...	3.1	17.2
281	230	Hardy Hansn	262	-3	7.9	3.8	14.6
125	105	Heavitree	120	...	3.0	3.2	28.6
353	255	Highland Distl	340	...	6.0	2.2	22.6
3138	2538	Holt J	2975	...	41.0	1.7	19.4
80	33	Hoskins Brew	65	-2	...	...	46.8
323	250	Invrgordn Dist	301 †	+1	...	2.9	17.2
186	151	Macallan-Glen	152	-5	0.9	0.8	34.1
465	375	Macdn Marta 'A'	385	...	...	2.9	18.4
221	164	Mansfield	212	...	...	2.3	15.2
289	231	Marston Thmp	280	-1	...	2.4	16.9
465	328½	Matthew Clark	465	+3	...	4.5	13.6
300	253	Merrydwn W	283	-5	7.0	3.0	23.1
545	455	Morland	538	...	8.4	2.0	21.4
12	6½	Paramount	9½	...	...	2.1	17.3
187	145	Regent Inns	174	-6	...	3.2	17.4
975	753	SA Breweries	815	-10	...	3.4	13.5
487	408	Scot & New	477	+4	...	4.4	14.8
225	181	Taunton Cider	212	...	6.0	3.5	17.3
256	213	Vaux Group	254	+3	9.3	4.6	87.5
320	225	Wetherspoon JD	320	+2	...	1.9	25.9
557	435	Whitbread 'A'	557	+10	...	4.0	15.0
1180	850	-do- 'B'	1160	+2	...	1.9	28.1
613	485	Wolvrhmptn D	489	...	11.3	2.9	13.7
515	475	Young 'A'	478	...	14.5	3.8	19.8

BUILDING, ROADS

1993 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
120	73	Abbey	120 †	...	...	1.0	∞
25½	12½	Albrighton	19 †	-½	...	...	...
123	87	Allen	116	...	...	5.4	26.3
107	85	Amec	98	+1	3.0	...	17.0
12	4	Anglia Sec	8½	...	...	...	...
299	155	Ashtead	299	...	4.5	1.9	48.6
142	101	Attwoods	124	-1	5.0	5.0	17.8
255	180	BPB Ind	247	+6	...	3.8	42.5
89	57	Baggeridge Brk	87	-1	3.1	4.5	29.2
31	18	Bailey (Ben) Con	29	...	0.5	2.4	...
106	74	Barcom	105	...	1.2	1.5	19.2
56	32½	Barlon	49	...	2.0	5.1	24.1
165	94	Barratt Devs	165	+1	2.0	1.5	18.4
449	305	Bellway	449	+7	...	3.3	26.0
43	15	Bellwinch	43	...	...	...	...
446	295½	Berkeley Gp	425	+2	...	1.8	26.6
116	45	Bett Bros	108	...	...	0.6	4.4
63	36	Blockleys	56	...	1.0	2.2	61.9
288	189	Blue Circle	284	+14	...	5.0	...
285	230	Boot (Henry)	274	...	5.9	2.7	15.3
106	78	Breedon PLC	92	...	4.6	6.2	22.2
121	82	Br Dredging	115	+2	5.2	5.8	24.9
83	45	Brit Fittings	65	...	1.5	2.9	...
151	99	Bryant	143	+2	4.8	4.2	30.6
89	53	CALA	88	...	2.3	...	...
295½	200	CRH	281 †	+2	...	...	3.0	19.8
43	18	Cakebread Rby	28	...	...	...	...
64	23	Costain	39	+1	...	...	...
140	86½	Countryside	139	...	...	3.7	36.7
86	38	Crest Nicholson	79	...	0.0	...	...
103	27	Cussins	103	+4	...	1.2	...
3½	1½	Dunton	3	...	...	...	...
25	15	Edmond Hldgs	18½	...	0.5	3.4	...
275	178	Epwin	274 †	...	6.8	3.1	23.2
57	38	Erith	57	+1	0.3	0.8	...
468	252	Eve Group	468	+15	...	2.2	16.9
6½	3½	Expamet	4½	...	...	...	...
140	97	Freeman Gp	130	...	...	4.8	20.7
50	38	Galliford	47	...	4.3	...	18.9
78	52	Gibbs & Dandy	65 †	-1	...	1.9	...
918	605	Gleeson (MJ)	915	...	12.7	1.7	14.8
144	90	Hewden-Stuart	140	-1	...	2.0	31.8
51	28	Hewetson	45	...	...	3.5	33.2
314	186	Heywd Wms	314	+3	12.5	5.0	...
119	37	Higgs & Hill	106	+1	2.5	2.9	...
38	26	How Gp	38	+1	...	4.9	...
21	15	Howard Hldgs	21	...	0.5	3.0	...
78	39	Ibstock Johnsen	77	...	1.0	1.6	...
19½	12½	Jarvis	19	...	...	...	...
314	196	Laing (J)	303	+1	9.0	3.8	12.0
127½	103	-do- 6.4% Cv Pf	126	+1	...	6.3	...
95	55	Lt Clydeside	90	...	4.5	6.3	33.9
23	10½	Lovell (YJ)	16½	...	...	...	7.5
350	240	Manders	343	...	9.0	3.3	20.8
168	93	Marley	155 †	+3	4.2	3.4	45.5
105	61	Marshalls	104	+½	...	4.8	71.6
180	122	Maunders (J)	180	...	4.9	3.4	16.5
215	96	McAlpine (A)	210 †	+4	6.5	3.9	36.4
40½	23	McCarthy & S	38	-1	0.5	...	...
394	272	Meyer Int	394	+16	...	3.2	39.5
129	62	Mowlem (J)	127	...	4.0	3.9	...
135	51	NSM	130	...	...	...	...
53	48	Needler	48	...	...	3.7	23.3
171	106	Newman Tnks	151	-2	...	...	19.8
300	197	Persimmon	284	-2	8.6	3.8	28.7
31	12	Phoenix Timber	13	+½	...	...	17.3
1625	1237½	Pochins	1525	...	28.0	2.4	9.3
159	80	Prowting	159	+1	3.4	2.7	...
6½	1½	Quiligotti	1½	...	...	...	...
823	553	RMC Gp	807	-28	...	3.1	31.7
117	75½	Raine Ind	90	...	6.0	8.3	15.0
36	20	Ramus	23	...	...	...	...
573	402	Redland	548	+14	25.0	5.7	31.9
80	64	Roskel	80	...	4.3	6.7	11.8
296	207	Rugby Group	276	+3	6.4	3.0	20.8
49	23	Svelid-Rvee	49	...	...	0.6	...
123	68	Sharpe & Fisher	123	...	...	4.1	21.4
221	86½	Sheffield Insl	215	...	...	3.1	52.8
160	82	Sheriff Hldgs	160	...	...	1.6	23.9
95	66	Shanco	80 †	...	...	8.1	18.2
240	196	Smart (J)	230	...	8.5	4.6	10.5
6½	2½	Starmin	3½	...	...	3.3	...
161	103	Tarmac	161	+2	5.5	4.3	...
194	137	Tay Homes	175	...	5.8	4.2	11.2
139	63	Taylor Woodrw	122	...	1.0	1.0	...
628	433	Tilbury Dougls	608	-2	33.0	6.8	19.8
39	19	Torra Fibre	37	...	...	1.4	...
247	168	Travis Perkins	232	...	8.0	4.3	40.9
40	30	Try Group	33	...	1.0	3.8	9.3
28	26	Tudor	26	...	...	1.2	...
88½	41	Vibroplant	84 †	...	2.5	3.7	30.2
65	20	Ward Hldgs	48	...	...	...	...
36	25	Waterhouse	33	...	...	...	...
475	360	Watts Blake	425	...	...	3.5	18.3
26	8	Westcol	23	...	...	...	...
164	90	Westbury	162	+2	5.0	3.9	25.3
12	4½	West Scaffold	7½	...	...	...	...
12	5	Wiggins	9 #	...	...	...	...
461	371	Wilson Bowdn	448	+3	8.7	2.4	30.6
205	147	Wilson (C)	187	-2	3.9	2.6	32.2
194	104	Wimpey G	186	+2	...	3.6	...
47	25	YRM	35	...	0.5	1.8	...

BUSINESS SERVICES

1993 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
675	463	ADT	615	-10	...	...	...
228	198	Adam & Harvey	225	...	12.0	6.7	4.1
92	56	Air London	75	...	...	5.8	9.3
56	37	African Lakes	49	...	2.0	5.1	...
178	125	Auto Sec	153	...	...	4.4	37.2
138	84	BET Ord	124	...	...	3.3	5.0
101	41	BNB Res	101	...	4.9	6.1	...
318	258	BPP	311	+3	8.0	3.2	17.2
285	195	Barbour Index	220	...	8.0	4.5	15.0
24	15	Boustead	24	...	0.7	3.6	...
265	184	Brit Data Mgt	231	...	...	2.2	19.3
26	11	Broadcastle	25 †	...	...	1.3	19.9
73	54	Brooks Service	65	...	...	...	...
105	86	CRT Gp	105	...	...	3.4	18.2
193	139½	Capita Group	191	...	...	1.4	29.8
45	31	Caskets Plc	43½	...	...	2.3	16.7
55	18½	Chiltern Capital	21½	...	...	...	...
51	26	Christie	46	...	...	...	...
370	228	Chubb Sec	353	-1	...	1.7	21.9
100	18	Comaca	93	...	...	2.0	23.2
30	6½	Corp Services	26	...	...	...	...
52	20	Coutts Cnsltg	48	...	...	...	...
110	50	Dart	110	...	...	3.3	3.8	14.9
256	198	Davis Service	244	+1	...	4.1	18.4
104	85	EW Facts	95	+1	4.3	5.7	10.9
32	11	Gardiner	31 †	...	0.6	...	21.5
257	215	Hays	250	+1	4.6	2.3	24.6
248	174	Hogg Robinson	241	...	...	3.4	17.6
70	35	Holmes Protectn	35	...	...	...	2.1
208	127	Hurch Whamp	208	...	...	2.3	17.7
2062½	975	ISS B DKr	1950	...	...	3.4	24.6
637	510	Inchcape	568	+5	...	3.6	19.7
863	663	Johnson Clean	833	...	25.7	3.9	18.2
12	2½	Lep	10½	...	...	...	...
288	173	Mitie Gp	284	...	...	3.5	1.5	22.1
1187	693	Manpower	999	-40	1.8	3.7	26.1
62	40½	Michael Page	62	...	...	7.5	6.3
279	167	Pennas	167	...	...	...	...
4½	2	Prime People	2½	...	...	...	...
142	80	Proudfoot Alex	123	...	...	12.2	6.8
421	337	RCO	380 †	+3	12.8	4.6	13.0
118	98	REA	98	...	4.0	5.1	...
116	63	Reed Executive	105	...	...	...	...
156	110	Reliance Sec	113	...	...	5.0	∞
238	178	Rentokil	215	+1	2.3	1.3	28.7
283	220	Rolfe & Nolan	223	...	...	4.0	12.6
399	334	Salvesen (C)	374	-2	...	2.6	20.5
39	26	Scot Pickfords	39	...	...	2.6	12.4
6½	5	Select Appt	6	...	...	...	...
1320	695	Serco Gp	1120 †	...	14.0	1.6	31.0
352	124	Sherwd Cmpt	160	...	...	5.5	4.6
130	90	Skatchley	99	...	...	3.8	22.6
355	310	Warner Howrd	350	...	6.5	2.3	18.3
45	27	Welpac	32	...	...	...	...
26½	14	Wills Gp	25	-½	0.4	2.0	∞

CHEMICALS, PLASTICS

1993 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
248	210	Allied Colloids	237	+1	...	2.3	20.9
861	613	Amersham	833	-1	...	2.0	28.8
7	1½	Anglo Utd	2	...	...	...	...
103½	8325	BASF DM	£100	...	...	3.2	...
297	199	BTP	284	...	...	4.1	19.6
129½	£101½	Bayer DM50	£119½	+9½	...	4.4	...
170	115	Blagden	169	...	9.5	...	18.2
178	134	Brent Chems	178	...	...	7.9	10.6
195	93	Br Bio-Tech	380	...	...	...	...
530	345	Caird Gp	13½	...	...	12.3	37.5
30	12	Cannbig (W)	144	...	7.2	6.3	16.5
153	120	Courtaulds	519	-16	...	3.4	15.8
608	504	Croda	333	...	...	2.9	18.0
333	228	Doeflex	138	...	4.6	4.2	10.6
149	121	Ellis & Everard	218	...	...	4.0	20.8
225	175	Euro Colour	34	...	0.8	2.9	20.8
34½	15½	Halstead (J)	324	...	...	2.3	16.2
374	259	Hickson	187	+1	...	5.4	17.1
241	167	Hoechst	£107½	-50	...	3.3	...
114½	8850	Holliday Chem	210 †	...	...	2.1	20.2
225	195	ICI	710	-3	...	4.8	...
733	608	Laporte	626	+3	19.5	3.9	17.3
688	570	Leigh	219	...	...	4.5	21.1
223	181						

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1993 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
97½	35	MTM	96	...	...	1.7	24.3
1900	1462½	Norsk Hydro	1712½	-21½	...	1.7	24.3
464	370	Paterson Zoch	461	...	13.4	3.1	19.0
420	360	-do- 'A'	419	...	11.4	3.4	18.1
256	221	Plysu	234	...	...	3.7	15.3
280	173	Porvair	260	+2	3.6	1.7	27.7
20	35	Sutcliffe Speak	61	...	...	...	...
485	412	Wardle Storeys	475	...	16.0	4.2	19.1
498	395	Wolstnhlme R	493	...	17.0	4.3	16.9
401	330	Yorks Chem	378	...	...	2.5	20.2
306	239	Yule Catto	278	...	5.9	2.7	17.0
765	593	Zeneca	736	-13	...	4.7	42.8

DRAPERY, STORES

1993 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
102	53	Alexon	65 †	...	...	5.8	...
87	42	Amber Day	73	...	3.1	5.4	19.7
382	257	Argos Plc	380	...	...	2.5	29.7
25	12	Ashley Group	18	+1½	...	...	...
118	69	Ashley (Laura)	104	...	...	0.1	0.1	...
309	228	Asprey	309	+6	5.1	2.1	21.4
134	94	Austin Reed	132	...	...	2.4	...
155	125	Beattie (J) 'A'	155	...	...	4.8	15.6
121	94	Bentalls	103	...	1.9	2.3	...
278	208	Bettervare	235	...	...	1.7	28.1
41	22	Blacks Leis	41	+1	2.2	6.9	...
227	133	Body Shop	185	...	...	1.1	23.9
16½	11½	Brown & Jacksn	13½	-½	...	0.7	6.8
401	318	Brown (N)	395	...	...	2.2	23.2
87½	64½	Burton	76	-1	...	3.3	...
147	126	Cartiers	146	...	4.0	3.5	∞
360	295	Church	343 †	...	12.5	4.6	30.5
183	97	Clinton Cards	159	...	4.2	3.3	19.2
262	212	Coats Viyella	257	+1	...	3.6	35.1
112	78	Colourvision	103	...	5.6	6.8	18.5
702	374	Courts Furnish	695 †	...	5.5	1.0	8.7
155	115	Crown Eyes	135	...	...	6.5	9.2
129	89	Dairy Farm Intl	125	...	...	2.9	18.7
94	51½	Dewhirst (D)	84	...	1.0	1.5	27.0
280	180	Dixons Grp	231	+7	...	3.4	...
413	320	Dunhill	377	-15	8.1	2.7	14.7
21	12½	ERA Gp	14	...	...	...	...
530	402	Elys (Wimbldn)	530	...	16.0	3.9	17.8
166	71	Essex Furn	163	...	...	2.1	27.6
273	203	Etam	272	...	6.9	3.2	24.0
608	499	Fine Art Dev	577	...	12.7	2.8	18.9
50	26	Fired Earth Tiles	45	...	...	...	...
548	498	Forminster	548	...	14.0	3.2	9.9
180	24	French Conna	180	...	...	...	...
74	43	Gent SR	71	...	2.0	3.5	20.8
68	23	Goldsmiths Gp	63	...	0.3	0.6	...
3825	2400	GUS	3825	-35	...	1.4	29.8
2165	1563	-do- 'A'	2158	+55	...	2.6	16.7
40	31	Hampden Grp	33	...	...	3.8	16.4
277	30	Hartstone	62	...	...	5.6	...
25½	20	Helene Plc	25½	...	2.0	9.9	12.1
72	29	Heritage	69	...	...	...	...
71	35	Honeysuckle	70	...	...	1.8	9.9
123	83	Jacques Vert	121	...	...	3.1	9.3
691	496	Kingfisher	647	-9	...	2.6	21.2
74	62½	Leslie Wise Gp	68½	-½	4.0	7.3	14.1
685	495	Liberty	580	...	7.2	1.6	68.1
320	241	Lloyds Chem	284	+2	5.5	2.4	11.1
152	120	MFI	145 †	...	...	3.2	30.5
391	311	Marks Spencer	389½	+5½	...	2.6	21.4
565	445	Menzies (John)	565	+1	...	2.4	15.8
230	135	Moss Bros	229	...	3.5	3.0	26.9
210½	139½	Next	199	+4	2.5	1.6	23.8
41	15	Oliver (G)	40	...	...	...	...
303	197	Ocidame Ind	274	-3	...	4.4	13.4
63	38½	Pentos	50	...	1.5	3.8	10.4
313	185	QS Hldgs	205	...	5.1	3.2	14.6
41½	11	Ratners Group	34½	-½	...	...	...
43	20½	Rhino Grp	43	...	...	...	...
181	135	Sherwood Gp	161	+3	...	2.0	14.5
127	93	Sears	119½	+2	...	3.8	...
498	400	Smith WH 'A'	455 †	-3	...	3.0	15.1
15	4½	Specialeyes	14	...	...	...	...
229	176	Stonehouse	229	+1	...	2.7	24.5
191	148	T & S Stores	167	+1	5.9	4.4	12.4
180	71	Tie Rack	158	...	1.0	0.8	25.9
231	160	Time Products	222	...	7.5	4.2	19.2
126	63	Usher (Frank)	123	-1	...	5.2	9.6
45	27	Vivat	34	...	1.0	3.7	10.5
40	34	Wensum	34	...	...	6.7	...
119	76	Wickes	99 †	+1	...	0.3	44.9
78	45	Wld of Leather	69	...	...	...	...
198	148	Wyevale	188	+1	...	2.7	24.5
4	2½	Xtra-vision	3½	...	...	...	...

ELECTRICALS

1993 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
187	134	ACT Group	179	+2	...	3.5	18.0
240	223	Acal	240	...	...	3.3	16.7
162½	38	Acorn Comp	104	...	...	...	52.7
480	385	Admiral	470 †	...	5.4	1.4	19.9
168	104	Alba	168	...	...	3.7	20.6
50	19½	Alphameric	48	...	...	...	...
39½	22	Amstrad	30	+½	0.4	...	...
128	61	App Holo	73	...	...	...	...
37	9½	Arlen	37 †	...	...	...	...
86	35½	Astec	79½	...	...	0.4	1.2
293	243	Beales Hunter	243	...	...	4.8	15.0
9	3½	Bennett & Fount	3½	...	...	...	...
446	319	BICC	429	+8	19.2	5.7	...
575	435	Blick	480	...	9.2	2.4	18.7
1700	1095	Borland	1100	-100	...	...	...
371	274	Bowthorpe	361	...	6.3	2.2	23.6
445½	376	BT	416½	-5	...	4.7	19.7
198½	150	BT P/P	174	-3½	...	4.5	20.5
11½	5½	Bulgin (AF) 'A'	11	...	0.1	1.1	...
160	110	Burnfield	122	-2	5.7	6.0	19.0
875	669	Cable Wireless	834	-14	...	2.2	26.8
24½	11½	Chloride	24½	...	...	...	...
273	228	CML Micro	273	...	...	2.2	19.8
115	74	Compt People	97	...	0.6	0.8	...
164	105½	Cray Elect	143	...	...	1.3	14.7
424	243	Critchley	423	...	...	1.8	∞
553	414	Delta	550	+2	...	3.3	22.6
360	205	Demmnt Ela	359	...	...	2.8	20.8
620	395	Domino	468	+2	7.2	1.9	16.0
65	48	Dowding Mills	60	...	2.5	5.2	19.7
1105	865	Drucks	1105	...	10.0	1.1	23.6
469	358	Electrocomps	460	+1	...	2.1	18.8
580	470	El Data Plc	560	+2	3.1	1.1	15.4
127	43	Electron House	126	+11	2.6	2.6	27.3
30½	10½	Emess	24	...	0.1	0.5	...
601	442	Eurotherm	601	+1	8.0	1.7	27.4
155	108	FKI	148	-1	...	2.5	21.7
465	340	Farnell Elect	458	+1	...	1.7	24.2
91	53	Feedback	90	...	...	2.1	11.7
18	9½	Fermail	12½	...	...	...	...
259	101	First Tech	257 †	+2	1.0	0.5	∞
270	81	Forward Gp	260	...	...	1.6	23.5
22½	18	Forward Tech	20	...	...	...	...
363	264	GEC	345	-2	10.3	3.7	17.3
199	132	Graseby	192 †	-3	...	7.1	40.4
14½	7½	Graystone	13½	...	...	...	...
39	36	Hildare	36	...	...	1.7	11.7
169	83	INSTEM	151	+1	...	2.6	10.8
388	320	Jones Stroud	379	...	...	2.9	15.2
19	8	Kembrey	15	...	0.1	1.3	...
343	260	Kenwood App	341	...	...	2.9	19.1
217	47	Kewill Sys	217	+6	...	...	...
209	100	Kode	189 †	...	5.5	3.6	22.4
60	16	Laser-Scan	35	...	...	...	...
365	122	LBMS	255	...	...	0.4	36.0
300	240	Lec Refrig	255 †	...	9.0	4.4	...
179	134	Life Sciences	148 †	-2	3.5	3.0	16.0
269	164	Logica	251	+1	3.6	1.8	29.6
55	44	LPA Ind	53	...	...	8.0	15.5
214	162	MR Data Mngmt	214	+2	4.3	2.5	20.4
683	523	Macro 4	663	...	17.7	3.4	∞
664	527	Memvier-Sw	664	+1	...	2.1	19.6
3012	1808	Micro Focus	1983	-20	...	...	17.3
227	147	Microgen	169	...	7.2	5.4	11.5
34½	23½	Microvitec	31	...	...	...	...
529	357	Misys	500	-2	...	1.8	18.3
437	98	Mitel	357	-17	...	...	...
138	108	MMT Compt	128	...	...	3.4	16.3
36	16	Molynx	33½	...	...	1.3	...
272	202	MTL Insts	245	+2	...	1.8	18.5
165	105	Muirhead Elect	111	...	3.5	3.9	∞
221	116	Murray Enter	220	...	1.8	1.1	...
6412½	5225	NYNEX	6012½	-12½	...	...	...
188	135	Neotronics	135	...	2.6	2.4	17.4
65	42	Newmark (L)	61	...	...	...	...
213	58	Norbain	212	...	...	0.9	16.2
75	20	Northamber	58 †	...	0.6	1.3	...
15½	9	Oceonics	12½	...	...	...	...
285	195	Oxford Inst	275	...	4.5	2.0	18.9
83	48	P-E Internl	72	...	...	...	...
81½	29	P & P	66	+1	1.4	2.7	35.0
80	55	Peek	76	...	3.4	5.7	19.6
222	115	Pegasus	200	+1	...	4.0	50.8
9500	9000	Philips Fn 4%	9500	...	...	6.1	...
1312½	725	-do- Lmp nv	1250	+12½	...	...	...
254	211	Phonelink	248	...	...	...	...
575	343	Pifco	575	...	...	1.8	25.8
555	303	-do- 'A' Voting	555	...	...	1.9	24.9
96	63	Plasmec	65	-1	...	...	5.4
120	76	Pressac	119	...	2.4	2.5	24.0
135	81	Psion	119 †	-1	...	2.6	31.6
261	160	Racal Elect	234	...	4.2	2.3	13.9
70	45	Radamec	68	...	...	3.0	13.5
70	31	Radius	38	...	2.7	...	12.1
93	61	Real Time	77	...	...	4.9	15.8
35	18	Riva	23	...	...	...	29.2
629	367	Sage Gp	390	...	9.0	2.9	12.5
345	222	Sanderson Elec	345	+5	9.0	3.3	14.7
88	49	Seanronic	80	...	3.1	4.9	20.2
160	117	Scholes Grp	160	...	5.0	3.9	31.4
375	230	Sema Gp	374	-1	2.8	0.9	30.2
42	26	Silvermines	40	...	...	...	...
50	37	Soundtracks	47	...	...	5.9	15.9
2675	1737½	TDK	2437½	...	...	1.3	27.1
27	4½	TDS Circuits	13½	...	...	...	...
188	80	Telemetrix	176	-5	0.8	0.6	20.0
1017	809	THORN EMI	987	...	...	4.1	19.8
111	96	Thorpe FW	111	...	2.5	2.8	11.4
100	63	Total Systems	64	...	3.0	5.9	11.3
509	372	Tunstall	508	...	6.0	1.5	20.3
289	164	Unitech	289	+4	...	2.6	68.5
11½	6	Verity	7	+½	...	...	...
33	24	Vistec	28	-½	...	1.7	16.1
585	367	Vodafone	489	+4½	...	1.8	22.2
473	368	Volex	472	...	17.8	4.7	19.4
26	11	Western Selectn	23	...	...	...	...
290	223	Wholesale Ftgs	290 †	...	11.7	5.0	30.8

ELECTRICITY

1993 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
534	389	East Midlands	519	+5	...	4.7	9.7
542	399	Eastern Elect	539	+8	...	4.5	10.8
380	304	Hydro-Elect	367	...	...	3.9	13.3
545	404	London Elect	545	+9	...	4.5	12.1
594	458	Manweb	582	+4	...	4.5	8.4
567½	424½	Midlands Elec	563	+4	...	4.4	10.1
375	273	National Powr	372½	+3½	...	3.6	11.1
592	440	Northern Elec	584	+1	...	4.6	8.4
172	100	Nthn Ireland	167	...	...	4.4	9.6
582	439	Norweb	569	+5	20.0	4.4	8.8
402½	273	PowerGen	402	+3	...	3.3	10.5
364	285	Scottish Power	350	+½	...	4.0	13.0
606	436	Seeboard	593	+6	...	4.2	9.6
616	469	Sth Wales	595	+2	...	4.7	9.9
566	426	Sth Western	551	+7	...	4.5	8.8
556	406	Southern Elec	545	+4	...	4.5	10.0
573	455	Yorkshire Elec	566	+7	...	4.5	10.7

FINANCE, LAND

1993 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
60½	50	Aitken Hume	56	...	1.0	2.2	11.9
125	47	BWD	121	...	...	3.3	18.9
93	26	Baltic Plc	93	...	...	1.3	...
550	413	Caledonia	528	...	...	3.6	19.6

FINANCIAL TRUSTS

1993 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
2556½	1487½	Amer Express	2150 †	-6½	...	...	...
1700	635	Henderson Ad	1060	-8	...	5.0	24.4
200	92	Invesco	179	-8½	...	2.1	...
244	164	Jardine Strat	226	+3	...	3.4	10.5
236	154	MAI	218	-3	6.0	3.4	15.8
692	389	MAM	685	-5	15.0	2.7	17.1
970	633	M & G	966	-3	...	2.8	25.7
342	109	Smith New Ct	314	-12	...	2.4	4.7
91	55	Trio Hldgs	78	...	...	4.6	...

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1993 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
1500	1075	Camellia	1450	...	...	1.0	5.4
313	243	Candover	300	...	10.2	4.3	21.2
150	71	Flexech	145	...	...	0.4	...
336	155	Govett	332	-1	...	4.5	10.4
188	125	Ivory Sime	184	-2	...	4.4	17.3
6½	3	LIT	3½	...	...	...	...
12	11	Lightship	12 #	...	...	...	...
240	154	Lon Forfaiting	240	+1	8.4	4.5	17.1
67	47	Manakin	62	...	5.0	10.1	∞
12½	3½	Nat Home Loan	6½	-½	...	...	...
52	40	Newmarket	52	...	...	...	...
341	248	Rathbone Brs	340 †	...	6.0	2.2	20.7
26	17	Rutland Tst	25	...	...	4.0	14.8
330	253	S & U	300	...	10.0	4.2	11.1
83	48	Singer & Fried	82	+1	...	6.6	...
975	713	Sotheby's	800	-25	...	4.3	...
155	83	SJP Capital	144	...	3.0	2.6	59.4

FOODS

1993 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
536½	456	AB Food	499	+6	14.0	3.5	11.4
77½	55	ASDA Group	65½	+1	1.6	3.1	15.7
305	170	Acatos & Hutch	275	...	6.5	3.0	15.9
76	55	Albert Fisher	72½	+1½	3.7	6.5	12.1
407	287	Argyll	317	-1	...	4.3	11.7
164	117	Assoc Fisheries	164	+1	...	6.1	3.4
228	160	Banks (S C)	225 †	...	9.0	5.0	10.0
402	310	Barr (AG)	335	...	6.5	2.4	16.9
85	57	Bensons Crsp	66	...	...	5.4	14.8
141	112½	Berisford Intl	139	...	...	...	...
455	357	Booker	432	-9	...	6.4	36.8
52	35	Borthwick	47	...	...	3.2	58.4
505	430	Brake Bros	502	...	6.2	1.5	20.9
51	38	Budgen	48	...	...	2.6	14.6
511	413	Cadbury-Schw	470	...	...	3.6	16.0
120	78	Carrs Milling	119	...	3.9	4.1	23.6
196	156	Cranswick	193	...	...	5.2	14.4
22	8½	Cullens	16½	...	0.5	3.8	47.4
384	150	Dalepak	190	-1	6.0	3.8	15.7
521	424	Dalgety	500	-7	19.5	4.9	14.6
54	22	Daniels S	50	...	...	0.6	...
230	191	Devro	230	+3	...	3.0	21.9
134	99	Everest	115	...	...	3.5	15.9
361	269	Farepak	361	+3	5.7	2.0	22.2
10	3	Farringford	8½	...	...	...	...
94	64	Finlay (James)	76	+1	...	6.8	25.2
125	78	Fyffes	98	...	...	1.5	17.8
483	328	Geest	375	+1	8.1	2.7	16.9
16	7	Global	15½	...	...	4.0	24.1
45	43	Grand Central	44	...	1.2	3.6	∞
303	147	Hazlewood Fds	183½	-½	...	4.4	10.3
175	131	Hillsdown	168	-2	...	6.6	13.0
250	205½	Iceland Group	224	...	...	1.9	14.0
131	103	JLI Group	123	...	...	4.7	13.6
853	655	Kwik Save	724	+4	16.0	2.8	13.9
262	174	Low (Wm)	187	-1	8.4	5.6	9.1
72	41	Matthews (B)	72	...	2.2	3.9	47.1
19½	12½	Merchant Retail	17½	...	1.1	7.9	25.8
174	128	Morrison (W)	134½	...	...	0.7	17.5
568	443	Nichols (JN)	543	...	13.6	3.1	15.7
291	242	Nthn Foods	281	+1½	...	3.7	14.0
20½	9½	Nrthmbrn Frt	12	...	...	...	...
229	172	Nurdin Peack	204	...	...	3.8	11.2
250	205	Park Foods	240	-2	...	3.1	18.5
115	78	Perkins Food	94	...	...	3.4	10.6
103	47	PizzaExpress	102	+1	...	0.6	58.6
9	1½	Regina Hlth	5½	...	...	...	...
584	436	Sainsbury J	489	+4	...	2.6	17.1
86	33	Scotty Farms	78	...	...	2.4	14.0
229	94	Sims Food	117	...	...	8.0	22.5
439	357	Tate & Lyle	366	-6	12.0	4.1	11.5
273	165	Tesco	222	+3	...	4.0	10.3
211	123	Thorntons	165	...	3.6	2.8	15.4
185	101	Treatt	165	...	...	2.7	18.8
410	300	Unigate	406	+2	...	3.0	13.3
437	340½	Utd Biscuits	371	-5	...	5.2	17.6
24½	18½	Usborne	19 †	...	...	5.3	∞
337	248	Watson & Phil	293	...	13.3	5.7	15.3

HOTELS, CATERERS

1993 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
22	12	Abrdn Stk H	22	...	...	...	...
90	77	City Centre Rest	89 †	...	1.5	2.2	21.5
250	170	Forte	242½	-1½	...	3.9	19.0
220	155	Friendly Hotels	179	-7	...	4.1	33.7
11½	5	Harmony Leis	9½	-½	...	...	...
135½	87	Jurys Hotel	130½	...	...	5.4	∞
222½	154	Ladbroke	203	...	11.1	7.0	16.9
73	59	Mandarin Ornd	69	+2	...	4.9	17.4
53	44	Queens Moat	47½	...	2.8	7.6	6.3
99	83	-do- 7¼% cvpr	85 #	...	7.5	11.0	...
2½	¼	Regal Hotels	1½	...	...	...	...
55	28	Resort Hotels	45 #	...	3.4	9.6	8.8
24	11½	Ryan Hotels E	18	...	...	5.6	...
855	700	Savoy Hotel 'A'	840	...	7.0	1.0	...
66	34½	Stakis	65	...	...	0.9	...

INDUSTRIALS

1993 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
218	69	AAF Inds	69	-7	...	15.9	4.2
616	455	AAH	543½	+2½	...	4.0	17.5
177	140	AIM	170	...	7.5	3.5	10.3
132	88	APV	104	-1	...	6.5	...
238	81	ASW	209	-5	...	3.6	...
198	124	Adwest	198	...	7.0	4.4	28.2
29	10	Aerospace Eng	20 †	...	...	4.7	26.3
271	249	Alspring	271	...	...	2.1	17.3
156	113	Alexdra W	155	...	3.8	3.1	42.8
13½	6½	Allied Radio	9½	...	...	...	...
570	415	Alumasc	570	...	11.0	2.4	17.4
48	17	Alvis	43	...	1.0	2.9	8.8
495	345	Amber Ind	495	...	...	4.7	11.3
45	18	Amberley Gp	38	...	...	3.3	...
107	78	Anagen	90	...	...	...	...
145	82	Andrews Sykes	110	...	...	5.0	...
945	703	Antofagasta	915	-3	...	2.2	16.9
50½	37	Armour	47½	...	1.4	3.9	14.0
170	143	Ash & Lacy	155	...	6.4	5.2	15.9
4	2½	Ass Br Eng	3½	...	...	1.7	...
541½	434	Avon Rubber	532	-2	...	3.9	21.2
250	168	Assoc Nursng	249	...	...	0.5	15.3
687½	544½	Atlas Equip	680	...	...	4.0	17.1
68	35	Ayrshire Metal	60	...	...	...	...
182	149	BBA	174½	+½	...	5.4	14.8
65	28	BLP Group	53	...	...	...	...
77	13	BM Gp	22½	...	...	5.0	...	1.0
770	627	BOC	648	-3	23.2	4.5	14.2
79½	62	BSG	75½	...	...	5.3	26.3
487	353	BSS Group	462	...	...	4.7	27.7
409½	318	BTR	381½	-17½	...	3.6	21.1
221	155	BWI	188	...	6.7	4.5	18.1
50	29	Babcock	31½	-8½	...	8.3	18.8
9	4½	Bailey (CH)	8½	...	...	...	...
289	240	Baird (Wm)	279	-6	8.9	4.0	19.1
1062½	556½	Barlow Rand	556½	-12½	...	6.2	3.1
64	48	Baynes (Charles)	64	...	...	2.8	26.2
15	5	Beaufort	7½	...	...	...	...
10	6	Beckenham	8	...	...	...	...
34	15	Bedford (W)	27	-½	...	...	...
27½	15	Benson Group	15	...	...	0.3	2.5	∞
707	461	Bespak	548	...	10.0	2.3	17.1
133	73	Bibby (J)	94	...	9.7	...	5.5
312	120	Billam (J)	258	...	5.0	2.4	13.0
41	21½	Bilston Battersea	33	+1	...	...	...
11½	3½	Bimec Ind	5½	...	...	...	...
192	118½	Birkby	192	+2	3.5	2.3	18.2
45	32	Black Arrow	38	...	2.6	8.6	∞
1½	½	Black & Edgtn	1½	...	...	...	...
218	136	Black (Peter)	214	...	3.7	2.2	∞
358	129	Bluebird Toys	347	-1	...	1.6	21.7
322	247	Bodycote	312	+3	...	2.0	19.9
40	23	Bogod 'A'	28	...	0.7	3.1	10.4
563	416	Boots	498	+5	...	3.4	18.5
61	42	Booth Inds	50	...	0.7	1.8	...
523	433½	Bowater	482 †	+2	...	3.0	20.1
1682	1281	Bowater Inc	1281 †	-32	...	...	...
274	199	Boxmore Intl	224	...	...	1.7	20.5
19	12½	Brasway	14	...	0.5	4.6	∞
303	304	Brammer	291	...	13.0	5.7	21.3
27	12	Bridgend Gp	24	...	0.4	2.1	...
123	64	Bridon	121	...	...	4.2	...
88	53	Bridport-Gndry	81	...	4.1	6.3	15.2
48	31	Brierley Inv	44½	+½	...	7.4	∞
308	245	Br Bldg & Eng	248	...	...	1.3	...
59	42	Br Bloodstock	59	...	...	...	...
528	417	Br Polymere	512	-2	...	2.4	18.4
118	54	Br Steel	110½	...	...	1.1	...
180	100	Br Syphon	105	...	...	3.6	28.4
18½	11½	Br Thornton	17½	-½	...	1.8	19.1
268	215	Br Vita	240	+1	7.1	3.8	14.5
15½	9½	Britton Grp	15	...	...	1.5	...
730	555	Broken Hill	668	+1	...	3.6	33.8
112	78	Bromsgrve Ind	111	...	...	5.0	14.5
10½	6½	Brooke Tool	9½	...	...	...	...
70	44	Brown & Tawse	66	...	...	...	...
132	91	Bullough	130	...	6.0	5.8	22.3
23	11½	Business Tech	17	-½	...	...	...
28	17	CI Group	23	...	1.0	5.4	22.1
25	11	Campbell & Arm	20	...	...	...	...
36	6½	Cannon St	34	...	...	...	...
255	205	Cape	255	+2	...	5.1	17.2
246	178	Carclo Eng	246	...	8.6	4.4	17.5
2888	2138	Carnaud MU	2238	-50	...	2.7	∞
78	68	Cassidy Bros	68	...	...	4.4	11.1
208	158	Castings	207	+1	4.3	2.6	14.6
170	113	Chamberlin Hill	170	+5	6.2	4.6	10.6
730	605	Charter	724	...	...	3.8	17.1
330	220	Chemring	330	...	...	3.1	19.9
92	45	Chieftain Gp	52	...	5.1	...	11.1
39	17	Chillington	37	...	0.2	0.8	...
204	144	Christies Int	184	-1	...	1.0	45.6
63	34	Clayhithe	63	...	...	5.0	...
95	70	Clayton Son	95	...	...	...	...
7	7	Co Designers	7 #	...	0.2	...	...
400	295	Cohen (A)	308	...	6.8	2.8	∞
223	179	Community H	195	...	6.5	4.2	12.1
246	186½	Concentric	225	...	...	3.1	19.0
230	120	Cook (Wm)	229	...	5.0	2.7	13.9
233	182	Cookson	212 †	+1	...	3.5	28.1
76	38	Copymore	68 †	...	...	1.8	20.8
238	130	Crwell Pkr 'A'	167	-1	5.7	4.3	14.3
178	92	Cosalt	132	...	10.7	...	20.1
224	150	Creighton Nts	186	...	...	4.9	18.1
48	27	CrestaCare	41	...	0.3	1.5	35.5
3737½	2990½	Dana	3550 †	-21½	...	...	...
236	78½	Danka Bs Sys	225	-3	...	0.6	21.4
243	193	David Brown	233	...	...	3.2	16.5
19	5	Davies (DY)	19	+1	...	...	...

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712	632	De La Rue	678	...	...	3.1	16.0
28	16	Dinkie Heel	24	...	0.6	4.9	19.1
552	391	Diploma	545	...	9.7	2.2	28.4
79	59	Dobson Park	78	...	5.2	...	14.0
116	92	Dyson (J&J)	112	...	5.0	5.6	20.6
80	57	-do- 'A'	73	...	5.0	8.6	13.4
16½	8	EPG	12½	...	...	...	...
440	367	EIS	437	...	...	3.9	17.3
28	19	Elbief	27	...	...	...	...
43	19	Elecro	25	...	3.3	...	14.7
2380	1750	Electrolux 'B'	2112½	+9½	...	2.6	...
66	45	Elliott (B)	66	...	...	...	...
475	394	Eng China Cl	446	-5	...	5.6	24.5
120	111	Envirotmed	115	-1	...	...	49.4
3237½	1550	Ericsson 'B'	3200	-9½	...	1.0	...
53	32	Eurocopy	49	...	1.6	...	19.0
87	47	Expamet	79	...	...	...	1.8
717	499	Fairey Group	712	-2	10.2	1.8	21.9
95	53	Fenner	90	...	4.2	...	7.0
66	22	Ferrantis Group	56	...	...	2.2	13.1
1½	¼	Ferromet	1½	...	...	...	...
39	21	Ferrum	21	...	2.5	14.6	14.7
60	28	File Indmar	56 †	...	0.5	1.1	...
251	147	Fisons	170	-½	...	6.5	19.2
53	29	Fitzwilton	48	-5	...	9.7	...
43	38	Folkes Group nv	38	...	1.5	4.9	21.0
86	56	French (Thomas)	86	...	3.6	5.3	41.1
240	166½	Frost Group	220	...	...	2.3	21.4
88	71	GEI Int	86	...	...	7.2	...
513	434	GKN	495 †	-1	...	5.2	33.0
51	42	GR Hldgs	46	...	...	5.4	...
98	79	Garton Eng	95	...	4.0	5.3	...
161	103	Gestetner	155	-1	8.2	6.6	6.8
42	23	Gleves	35	...	...	...	25.3
801	509	Glaxo	623	-2	17.0	3.4	17.3
38	16	Glencheston	32	...	...	...	...
318	245	Glynwed	307	-2	11.6	4.8	28.5
126	66	Goode Durrant	126	...	...	5.4	...
145	102	Grampian Hd	144	+1	5.5	4.6	25.0
454	341	Granada	444	...	...	2.2	21.6
407	301	Great Sthrn	407	-15	...	3.4	16.6
96	78	Green (Ernst)	90	-1	...	9.7	12.4
19½	8½	Greenacre	15	...	...	2.3	14.6
17	8	Guardian Grp	10½	...	...	...	...
61½	30½	Haden Maclin	59	...	...	4.2	21.9
93	44	Hadleigh Inds	76	...	...	0.8	...
274	115	Hall Eng	274	-22	8.6	4.0	22.3
229	191	Halma	209	-9	...	1.2	28.1
49	30	Hampson Ind	42	-1½	1.6	4.6	15.9
269½	222	Hanson	247½	-½	...	5.8	12.6
221	187	Harris (Philip)	206	...	...	4.2	12.5
196	147	Harrison Crsfld	186	-1	9.0	5.2	25.2
68	38	Havelock Euro	68	...	...	...	...
51	20	Hay (Norman)	46	-4	...	...	...
28	17	Headway	27	...	0.7	3.2	14.2
13½	5	Healthcare	5	...	...	21.0	1.4
395	301	Hepworth	365	+7	14.8	4.2	26.6
229	160	Hewitt (J)	320	...	3.5	1.3	16.3
38	15	High-Point	38	...	1.3	...	...
162	112½	Hill & Smith	161	...	...	4.4	22.4
14½	6½	Robson	14½	+½	...	...	64.6
159	87	Holders Tech	159	...	...	4.7	20.5
52	30	Hopkinsons	51	...	1.3	3.2	21.3
167	133	Hornby	157	...	...	7.2	14.6
88	54½	Howden	84 †	...	2.2	3.3	15.5
260	173	Hunting	245	...	...	5.1	23.7
503	269½	Huntleigh Tech	500	...	...	2.5	12.8
312	247	IMI	290	+2	...	4.4	25.3
112	90	ISA Intl	105	...	1.5	1.8	16.3
208	144	Intercare Gp	149	...	...	2.2	15.9
286	235	Isotron	285	...	4.3	1.6	∞
547	360	Jardine Math	534	-13	...	2.3	19.4
537	425	Johnson Matth	461	-10	...	2.8	20.2
64	36½	Johnson & FB	46	+½	3.0	8.2	14.2
177	104	Johnston	160	-2	3.2	2.5	...
32	19	Jones Shipman	26	-1	...	...	...
35	18	Jourdan (T)	31	...	0.7	3.1	...
77½	26	Kalamazoo	76	-½	2.1	3.5	17.7
178	13	Kalon	153 †	+1½	...	2.6	21.2
397	253	Kelsey Ind	258	...	13.0	...	...
545	465	Kershaw (A)	538	...	27.0	6.3	27.9
235	75	Kleeneze	190	...	...	...	...
151	61	LGW	145 †	...	3.0	2.6	12.0
351	266	Laird	325	-1	...	4.3	15.8
157½	103	Lilleshall	145 †	-3	...	3.7	19.1
164	97	Lincat	164	+1	...	3.9	14.2
19½	4½	Lincoln Hse	19½	...	...	...	16.1
128	76	Linread	121	...	3.7	3.9	18.7
245	170	Linton Park	245	+2	...	2.2	8.8
15½	10½	Linxhean	12½	...	0.2	2.0	...
22½	15	Locker (T) A	20½	...	1.0	6.1	29.8
274	173	Lon Intl	227	+1	9.4	5.2	17.3
135	70	Lonrho	119	-3½	...	...	...
388	280	Low & Bonar	376	+1	...	3.0	52.7
344	285	MB-Caradon	324 †	...	...	3.5	25.1
171	135	-do- pf	166½	+2½	7.2	5.4	...
39	14½	ML Hldgs	39	...	...	...	...
43	27	MS Intl	42	...	...	7.4	43.3
50	39	MY Holdings	45	...	...	2.8	13.7
216	168	Macfarlane	211 †	...	...	1.9	23.9
460	379	McKechnie	452	+1	14.7	4.1	22.4
106	85	McLeod Russel	104	+2	6.0	7.2	12.7
10½	3½	Madden	4	...	...	...	21.8
101	83	Magnolia	100	...	0.1	0.1	16.1
106	71	Mang Bronze	106	...	1.0	1.2	...
26½	19½	Marling	23½	...	...	3.5	...
192	124	Mayborne	184	...	...	3.4	15.3
62	29	Mayflower	61½	...	...	2.6	51.0
236	85	Medeva	115 †	-4½	...	2.4	9.3
117	88	Meggitt	116½	...	...	4.1	19.8
125	98	Metair	124	...	...	3.7	20.1
150	136	Metroarci	147	...	...	2.8	20.4
90	70	Metsec	90	+1	...	...	...
83	29	Midsmrs	76	+4	...	1.2	10.6
25	14	Mining & Aid	23	...	0.5	2.7	...
510	368	Molins	510	...	...	3.4	13.2
345	262	Morgan Crble	334	...	...	4.7	17.9
184	134	Morris Ashby	175	...	...	3.9	13.3
33	18	Neepsend	31	...	0.7	3.0	41.6
73	34	Nestor-BNA	68	...	3.1	5.8	16.2
191	122	Nobo Gp	187	...	4.9	3.2	18.5
176	122½	Norcros	175	...	...	5.0	25.6
51	35	Novo Group	47	+1	...	3.5	15.1
413	310	Nu-Swift	323	...	...	...	∞
71	36	Office Elec Mac	69	...	0.1	0.2	...
39½	21	Oldi Intl	31½	-½	...	6.9	...
140	123	PCT	135	...	...	6.8	15.0
61	36	Pacer Systems	60	...	...	6.3	...
136	101	Pentland	103	...	...	3.1	13.8
395	310	Photo-Me	393	...	4.4	1.4	20.0
165	97½	Pilkington	155½	+3½	...	3.2	...
85	68	Plantsbrook	84	...	3.0	4.5	13.1
154	125	Polypipe	139	...	1.9	1.8	20.1
42	19	Porter Chadburn	34	...	...	4.6	15.0
11½	5½	Porth Gp	9	...	...	...	...
376	306	Powerscreen	356	...	...	2.3	18.5
20	16½	Prospect Inds	17	...	0.7	5.5	8.5
55	37½	RFS Group	55 †	...	2.2	5.0	12.2
95	73	Radiant Metal	80	...	...	...	...
185	77	Ramco Oil	136	+1	...	0.9	46.5
801	636	Rank Org	790	+4	31.0	4.9	21.6
33	17	Ransomes	17	...	...	...	...
657	532	Reckitt Colmn	623	+4	...	3.3	22.4
77	50	Record	71	...	3.6	6.3	34.9
7½	2½	Reece	5½	...	...	...	...
245	131	Relyon	240	...	4.9	2.6	29.8
303	208	Renishaw	268	+2	6.5	3.0	30.5
97	55	Renold	92	...	...	1.4	...
1573	1240	Reuters	1531	-13	21.2	1.3	35.3
57	24½	Rexmore	56	...	1.7	3.9	...
156	91	Ricardo Group	155	...	5.7	4.6	43.6
71	58	Richard (Leics)	71	...	4.4	7.7	...
98	63	Richardson West	86 †	...	3.0	4.4	22.0
133	109	Ropner	133	+2	8.2	8.0	18.4
131	97	-do- 'A'	131	+2	8.2	8.1	18.1
38	24	Ross Gp	30	...	0.6	2.7	12.3
184	131½	Rotork	181	...	...	2.8	21.0
162	89	Rubicon	161	...	...	3.3	22.6
65	43	Russell (A)	62	...	...	2.0	...
29	15	SEP Indl	28	...	...	3.3	25.0
1012½	625	SKF 'B'	875	...	...	...	...
53	39	Saville Grdn (J)	52 †	...	2.2	5.3	∞
248	205	Scapa	212	-12	...	3.3	16.2
238	192	Scholl	211	-2	...	3.8	15.2
6½	4	Scot Heritable	5½	...	...	...	...
1080	917	Securicor	1065	+2	2.6	0.3	40.5
765	562	-do- 'A'	717	+8	2.6	0.5	27.3
660	465	Security Serv	610	+8	5.0	1.0	30.2
121½	77	Senior Eng	121½	...	...	3.3	20.1
361	296	Seton Health	298	...	...	2.4	17.6
68	42	Sheldon Jones	63	...	...	4.0	...	31.2
133	88	Shiloh	130	...	2.6	2.8	14.0

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344	261	Siebe	325	...	...	3.8	20.9
571	427	Siebe	530	-7	...	2.4	19.6
374	230	Silentnight	374	-2	...	2.7	22.0
171	102	Sime Darby	131	...	...	4.1	∞
142	32	Simon Eng	66	-1	...	...	...
259	196	Sirdar (Wm)	213	-1	7.0	4.1	13.7
47	36	600 Group	38	...	...	5.8	...
164	139½	Smith & Neph	151	-½	...	3.0	16.6
513	389	Smithkline	429	-15½	6.6	2.5	15.5
450	340	Smthkline Uts	374	-15	...	3.5	13.5
394	325	Smiths Ind	381	-2	11.2	3.7	15.6
140	58	Sthn Bus	69	...	3.3	6.1	6.5
430	265	Spandex	430	...	...	1.9	19.1
650	300	Spear (W)	550	...	4.0	3.2	10.2
375	354	Spirax-Sarco	375	-1	...	3.1	23.6
145	44	Spring Ram	63	-4	...	0.7	17.3
270	222	Staveley	257	-2	...	4.1	14.5
162	126	Sterling Ind	161	+2	...	4.5	24.7
29	11	Stonehill	24½	...	...	...	...
361	97	Suter	176	-2	8.8	6.4	18.1
361	244	Swire Pacfc 'A'	328	...	...	2.7	∞
7	3½	Sycamore	3½	...	...	...	...
76	53	Sykes-Pick	63	...	...	7.9	12.1
280	242	Syltone	280	+4	...	4.2	18.6
374	279	TI	356	-10	...	3.7	24.5
31	12	TLS Range	31	+1	...	1.0	...
290	211	TT Group	283	+1	...	2.9	17.4
264	220	Takare	245 †	...	1.8	0.9	20.3
668	518	Takeda Chem	506	-3	...	0.6	21.4
66	24	Tex Hldgs	62	-1	...	...	...
109	70	Tinsley (E)	95	...	...	7.2	14.6
256	150	Tomkins	235	...	...	1.9	20.4
271	212½	Tomkins	224	-6	...	3.5	16.5
112	67	Trafalgar H	105	-½	...	3.9	7.5
579	346	Transtec Tech	484	-½	15.0	4.2	12.0
190	158½	Triplex Lloyd	173	...	...	5.1	20.8
257	214	UniChem	243	...	5.6	2.9	18.9
375	275½	Unigate	365	...	...	5.4	11.9
76	11½	Unigroup	35	...	...	...	...
1249	954	Unilever	1061	-4	21.3	2.5	16.4
8112½	6362½	Unilever (NV)	7062½	...	...	2.9	11.0
915	512	VSEL	880	+3	...	4.1	9.5
9½	6½	Verson	8½	...	...	...	...
164	95½	Vickers	155 †	...	...	1.2	...
367	243	Vitalit	300 †	-8	...	3.3	14.8
441	283	Vimex	441	...	...	2.0	20.5
674	425	Vosper Thorny	674	...	...	2.9	16.3
46	41	WSP Hldgs	41	...	...	6.8	10.7
468	368	Wacon Ind	428	+2	...	5.1	16.9
94	71	Walker Greenbk	91	...	3.1	4.1	24.0
254	201	Warsall	241	+1	2.5	1.3	24.3
42	32	Wedgwood	39	...	...	...	...
384	291	Weir	323 †	+4	...	2.3	18.2
992	600	Wellcome	771	+2	17.0	2.2	20.2
22½	19	Wellman	19½	...	0.9	5.8	31.5
343	250	West Hlthcare	324	+2	...	1.4	∞
510	460	Whatman	496	...	9.5	2.4	15.9
357	257	Whessoe	274	-2	...	3.6	10.6
65	25	Whitecroft	61	...	...	...	...
8½	4½	Widney	6	...	...	...	...
132	44	Wilkes (James)	125	-2	3.5	...	36.1
355	295½	Williams Hldgs	331	-1	12.5	4.8	17.1
36½	17	Wilshaw	35	...	...	1.6	22.1
661	533	Wolseley	640	+2	12.5	2.5	32.2
150	125	Wood (Arthur)	125	...	1.5	1.5	45.5
46	35	Wyko	40	...	...	3.1	...
59	36	Young (H)	56	...	3.0	6.7	20.5

INSURANCE

1993 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
1993½	1543½	Alex & Alex	1600	...	...	4.2	...
2406½	1787½	Am Gen	2312½	+12½	...	3.2	...
51	30	Archer (AJ)	50	+1	4.4	...	24.3
183	133	Berry Bch Nbl	160	...	...	4.0	12.9
148	118	Bradstock	139	...	5.1	4.6	17.1
498	359½	Britannic	493 †	+5	...	2.8	...
667	556	Com Union	607	-3	...	5.0	...
1630	1225	Dom & Gen	1625	+67	...	1.4	26.8
39	18	FAI	36	...	...	...	...
699	546	Gen Accident	668	-1	26.7	5.1	...
224	160	GRE	227	+1	7.0	4.0	18.1
412	293	Heath C E	411	...	...	4.9	...
226	168	Hogg Gp	226	...	8.1	4.5	20.5
218	164	JIB Group	183	-7	7.5	5.2	18.3
513	408½	Legal & Gen	486	+2	...	4.0	29.5
1092	768	Liberty Life	873 †	+4	...	3.3	15.1
465	403	Lloyds Abbey	424	-3	17.3	5.1	15.2
338	253	Lloyd Thomp	312	...	5.6	2.2	23.0
368	274	Londn & Man	360	-1	14.2	4.9	26.5
141	135	Londn Utd Invs	141	-2	13.5	3.9	15.5
6743½	5600	Marsh McLn	5856½	-81½	...	3.1	...
104	76	Oriel	104	+3	...	6.0	...
72	50½	PWS	71	...	4.0	7.0	10.3
349	282½	Prudential	332	-3	...	4.5	21.8
1139	800	Refuge	1025	...	31.5	3.8	28.4
347	248	Royal	315 †	-2	...	2.6	...
204	150	Sedgwick	190 †	-1	...	3.9	23.4
261	205	Steel Burrill	249	...	...	6.7	14.7
87	49	Sturge Hldgs	86	...	8.2	...	8.7
399	307	Sun Alliance	372	...	14.2	4.9	...
61	50	Trade Indemnity	51	...	...	...	...
332	239	Transatlantic	329	-1	12.0	4.6	30.5
773	499	Utd Friendly	677	-11	14.5	2.7	29.5
242	171	Willis Corroon	234 †	+5	...	3.5	50.3
20	13½	Windsor	20	+1	...	...	15.7

INVESTMENT TRUSTS

1993 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
1820	1549	Alliance	1749 †	-5	45.0	3.2	38.3
264	226½	Amer Trust	248 †	-1	4.9	2.5	51.5
404	304	Ang & O'seas	392	-1	6.8	2.2	49.8
146½	124	BZW Conv	144	...	7.8	6.8	16.8
186	137½	Bankers	178	+1	3.4	2.4	48.9
317	264	Baring Tribne	310	...	6.4	2.6	49.0
189	131	Berry Starq	189	+1	2.2	1.5	61.4
110	96½	Br Assets	102 †	-½	...	5.2	25.0
82	57½	Br Empire Sec	79	...	0.8	1.4	...
29	14	-do- Wnts	27	...	...	...	...
198	156	Br Inv	182	...	4.5	3.1	41.0
191	130	Contl Asset	190	...	2.4	1.6	63.2
195	143	Derby Inc	151	...	...	11.8	9.1
280	195	-do- Cap	248	...	...	...	...
79	62	Drayton Blue	78	...	8.4	13.5	8.7
85	35	-do- Eng Intl	84	+1	1.2	1.8	...
133	84	-do- Far East	124	...	0.6	0.6	...
122	95	-do- Korea	111	+2	0.5	0.6	...
665	576	Dunedin Inc G	651 †	...	25.4	4.9	30.0
100	64	-do- Japan	98	...	...	...	...
55	38	-do- Warrants	52	...	...	...	...
690	513	-do- Wwde	670	-1	9.5	1.8	69.0
292	222	Dundee & Lon	286	-½	...	3.9	26.4
300	250½	Edinburgh	299½	+1½	8.4	3.5	32.8
287	183	Electra Inv	283	...	6.7	3.0	38.6
190	141	Electric Gen	184	...	3.1	2.1	57.3
113	85	English Scot	112	...	...	...	...
300	206	European Asset	295	...	...	2.4	38.3
125	77	Finsbury 'A'	125	-1	3.0	3.0	40.2
291	248	Fleming Amer	281	-1	0.7	0.3	...
219	190½	-do- Claver	207	...	...	3.3	40.5
318	212	Do Contl	313	...	2.7	1.1	...
202	147	-do- Emrg	197	-½	4.7	3.0	∞
334	213	-do- F East	313	-1	11	0.4	...
326	246	-do- Fledg	324	...	3.0	1.2	...
118	93	-do- Hi Inc	100	...	...	5.5	17.1
260	136	-do- Japan	235	-1	0.3	0.2	...
289	250	-do- Merc	279 †	-1	6.7	3.0	59.7
292	212	-do- O'seas	282	-1	4.2	1.9	∞
259	203	Foreign & Col	245	-½	...	1.8	66.7
214	166	-do- Eurotst	214	+1	1.2	0.7	...
125	87	-do- German	123	...	0.5	0.5	...
319	191	-do- Pacific	293	-1	1.9	0.8	...
162½	116	-do- Smaller	162½	+½	1.8	1.4	...
272	145	GT Japan	240	-1	...	0.6	...
150	65	Genl Cons Cap	143	-1	...	...	...
129½	96½	-do- Inc	111	...	...	9.5	11.5
145	115	Govett Am Smlr	137	...	...	...	...
316	184	-do- Oriental	305	...	0.9	0.4	...
282	202	-do- Strategy	279	...	...	3.0	38.5
400	340	Greenfriar	399	-1	...	2.0	59.8
19	5	Gresham House	19	...	...	...	...
59½	47	Independent Inv	55	...	0.6	1.4	∞
142	124	Inv Cap	139½	-1½	5.1	4.6	28.0
97	77	I&S UK Smllr	95	...	2.8	3.7	26.5
209	159½	Kleinwort Chrl	202	-1	5.0	3.1	39.3
259	176	-do- O'seas	255	...	3.3	1.8	63.9
130	108	-do- Smlr	130	...	4.0	...	31.2
680	540	Law Debenture	659	...	18.2	3.5	22.9
197	164	Majedie	197	...	...	3.0	38.1

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1993 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
222	221	Merchants	267	+2	10.6	5.0	24.8
6525	3700	Merrill Lynch	4156½	-19½	...	...	...
440	383	Monks Inv Tst	465	-2	...	1.7	61.4
133	105	Mntg Ertn Inc	128	-1	...	4.5	25.4
46	23	Do Warrants	47	...	...	...	...
56	36	Murray Euro	52	...	...	0.1	0.4
21	4½	Do Wts	15	...	...	...	...
344	292	Murray Incme	337 †	+1	10.9	4.0	∞
340	265	-do- Intl	328	...	11.6	4.5	29.3
362	263	-do- Small	372	...	...	1.4	...
103	93	-do- S/C Inc	93	...	...	14.2	9.1
135	73	-do- S/C Cap	128	...	...	...	...
3050	2750	-do- S/C Uts	2950	...	...	4.5	...
154½	142½	-do- S/C DF	154½	...	...	...	...
315	250	-do- Vent	307	...	...	4.2	24.2
91	56½	New Frontier	90	+½	0.2	0.3	...
88	68	Nthrnr Inc	88	-1	6.7	9.6	16.5
336	269	O'seas Inv Tst	324	-1	2.8	1.1	...
411	285	Pacific Assets	385	-2	1.1	0.4	...
314	187	Do Warrants	289	-3	...	...	...
8300	7650	Personal Assets	8250	...	...	2.4	49.3
158	100	RIT Cap Ptnr	142	-6	1.3	1.0	...
126	108	River & Merc	120	...	9.2	9.6	12.0
419	350	Robeco	418	...	...	3.0	...
423	346	Rolinco	418	...	...	1.8	...
279	214	St Andrew Inv	274	...	7.5	3.4	36.8
156½	131	Scot American	152½	...	...	3.8	32.2
225	136	Scot Asian	221	...	...	...	...
505	225	do Warrants	503	...	...	...	...
81½	63½	-do- Eastern	78½	-1	1.5	2.4	51.4
222	183	Scottish	216	-1	4.6	2.7	44.5
225	175	-do- Mtge	218	-1	4.0	2.3	56.6
95	71	-do- Value	95	...	...	2.4	67.7
1592	1390	Second Allnce	1548	-5	36.5	2.9	41.6
91	54½	Secs Tst of Scot	85	+1	3.2	4.8	28.1
157	104½	Selective Asset	154	+1	1.2	1.0	55.4
35	14	Sphere Inv	35	...	3.7	12.0	10.4
164	112	TR Far East	154	+1	6.5	3.7	35.6
154	126	TR City Of Lon	149	-½	4.8	4.0	∞
168	110	TR Pacific	154	...	0.3	0.3	...
32	17	TR Property	30½	...	0.9	3.7	32.0
101	47	TR Tech Inv	98	+1	1.7	2.2	36.4
198	148	TR Smlr Cos	196	...	...	2.6	43.0
348	283	Temple Bar	330	...	17.2	5.0	24.9
97	69	Thrmtn Asian E	93	...	0.5	0.7	...
76½	54	Throgmorton	76	...	2.3	3.8	31.0
560	365	Throg Dual Cp	553	...	...	...	...
231	179	USDC Invest	227	...	4.5	2.5	41.5
112	76½	Value Inc Tst	106	...	3.6	4.2	26.7
681	542	Whitbread Inv	681	+7	16.5	3.0	41.0
216	181	Witan	211½	+1½	5.6	3.3	37.0

LEISURE

1993 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
415	269	Airtours	413	...	7.2	2.2	14.6
64	42	Ald Leis	56	...	4.7	...	16.0
357	194	Anglia TV	346	...	...	3.1	16.0
103	63	Baldwin	91	-2	3.0	4.1	12.4
249	192	Barr & W 'A'	222	+5	10.0	5.6	14.3
1245	830	Boosey Hwks	1245	...	22.0	2.2	16.7
153	90	Border TV	141	-6	...	2.9	∞
16½	4	Brent Walker	6½	-½	...	...	...
58	48	Bristol Scotts	53	...	...	...	...
6	2½	Buckingham Int	5½	...	...	...	...
292	110	Campari	143	...	...	10.5	...
230	171	Capital Radio	225	...	5.2	2.9	26.0
818	718	Carlton Comm	747	-5	17.0	2.8	22.0
200	158	Castle Comm	186	...	...	5.7	17.0
2080	1615	Central TV	2063	+50	38.0	2.3	22.5
124	61	Chrysalis	106	...	...	...	...
590	470	Compass Gp	566	...	...	2.6	17.6
350	175	Eurocamp	214	-3	6.7	5.7	9.8
1180	610	Euro Disney	710	-23	...	1.6	...
8	3½	Euro Leisure	4½	...	...	...	...
36	18	Ex-Lands	33½	...	...	...	...
240	245	Fairline Boats	280	-1	10.5	4.7	...
378	289	First Leisure	289 †	-1	6.1	2.7	20.0
530	398	GWR Gp	528	...	...	1.7	27.1
243	149	Grampian	243	...	6.1	3.1	16.8
15	4½	Greenwich Comm	14	...	...	...	...
72	19	HTV Group	71	+2	...	...	31.5
76	30	Hi-Tec Sports	51	-1	...	4.9	...
12½	5½	Konick	11½	...	...	...	...
476	405	LWT Hldgs	473	...	...	1.3	21.9
519	327	Man Utd	516	-1	16.0	4.3	17.8
148	59	Owners Abrd	87	...	3.5	5.1	6.0
73	33	The Pelican Gp	73	...	...	1.9	∞
160	55	Prism Leisure	136	...	...	3.0	12.6
31	16	Quadrant Grp	31	...	...	...	...
327	274	Radio Clyde	326	...	...	3.3	25.5
307	132	Ramsdens (H)	207	+4	...	2.7	27.5
553	431	Scot TV	504	...	9.9	2.5	24.8
65	32	Southern Radio	63	-1	0.7	1.6	26.2
260	168	Stanley Leisure	245	-3	4.3	2.2	19.3
10	5½	Sunleigh	8½	...	...	...	...
145	118	Sumer & Vine	123	...	3.5	3.6	14.4
420	345½	Tanjong	345½	...	...	0.5	∞
2½	1	Ticketing	2½	...	...	...	...
117	84	Tottenham Hot	100	...	...	...	3.2
78	44	Trans World	56	...	...	1.8	20.4
489	274	Ulster TV	488	...	10.0	2.6	15.0
101	62	Vardon	93	...	0.7	1.0	21.9
22	11	Wembley	18½	...	0.2	1.4	...
48	7½	Whitegate	38	-1	...	...	...
227	110	Yorkshire TV	224	...	12.0	6.7	6.8
120	83	Zetters Gp	113	...	8.0	8.8	∞

MINING

1993 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
5700	1800	Am Gold	3612½	+262½	...	5.8	17.3
1625	1018½	Ang Am Coal	1331½	...	...	7.0	6.7
2300	1125	Ang Am	1762½	-87½	...	4.0	14.5
30½	8½	Anglo Pac Res	27	...	...	...	...
133	33	Blyvoors	97	...	...	6.3	5.3
46	18	Bracken	25	...	...	...	1.2
871	233	Buffels	500	+5	...	13.3	∞
2½	1	Bune	1½	...	...	...	...
720	546	CRA	661	-8	...	2.9	22.7
43½	11	Cluff Res	25½	+1½	...	...	77.5
1312½	762½	De Beers	1112½	-3½	...	4.5	14.4
165	37½	Deelkraal	81	-7	...	2.5	∞
96	7	Doornfontein	35	-1	...	...	...
913	388	Driefontein	601	+28	...	5.1	∞
709	120	Durban	339	-6	...	...	...
201	47	E Rand Gold	115	+20	...	10.2	3.2
270	54	E Rand Prop	169	+14	...	...	...
604	117	Elandsrand	258	-10	...	4.8	5.9
899	292	FS Cons	584	+39	...	8.8	6.9
80	8	FS Dev	32	+2	...	...	...
1675	725	GFSA	993	+63	...	4.1	∞
180	125	Gencor	138	-3	...	7.2	10.7
64½	35½	GM Kalgoorli	40	-½	...	2.2	10.4
22½	5	Greenwich R 'A'	13½	...	...	...	...
187	49	Grootvlei	87	+9	...	12.1	5.0
360	78	Harmony	200	-2	...	...	...
425	87	Harties	258	+33	...	7.7	∞
16	8½	Inoco	15½	+2	...	...	...
1010	491	Impala Plat	612	-29	...	4.1	19.8
13½	6	Kenmare Res	8½	...	...	...	...
1080	332	Kinross	734	+19	...	6.0	8.0
913	319	Kloof	540	+24	...	4.1	∞
137	25	Leslie	73	-3	...	5.8	7.2
219	13	Loraine	119	-8	...	...	...
840	620	Lydenburg	780	...	...	2.6	∞
116½	81½	MIM	86	-2	...	2.5	41.7
1365	820	Minorco	1050	-13	...	3.8	11.3
141	91	Nth Brkn Hill	118½	+1	...	3.4	19.5
2287½	612½	Orange Free	1425	+62½	...	9.3	10.8
746	607	RTZ	735	+7	...	3.7	20.1
637½	225	Rand Mines	556½	-12½	...	10.6	2.5
671	150	Randfontein	451	+21	...	6.2	∞
192	115	Renison	132	...	...	3.2	13.7
1200	850	Rustnbrg	980	-48½	...	3.9	∞
595	191	St Helena	435	+20	...	5.7	8.7
2166	475	Southvaal	1443	+55	...	4.0	24.9
109	19	Stilfontein	71	+9	...	9.0	12.1
201	58	Unisel	99	+9	...	3.2	9.5
6075	1800	Vaal Reefs	3950	+125	...	5.6	6.8
582	154	Welkom	363	+10	...	9.4	10.6
351	26	Western Areas	239	+9	...	3.0	∞
2512½	587½	Western Deep	1650	+34½	...	3.8	7.5
283	176	Wstrn Mining	216	-5	...	2.0	∞
1029	323	Winkels	693	+11	...	1.5	5.6
84	56	Zambia Copper	70	...	...	...	...
68	18	Zandpan	33	...	...	9.4	∞

MOTORS, AIRCRAFT

1993 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
256	233	Abbey Panels	235	...	...	...	...
135	95	Airflow Stream	135	...	3.0	2.6	15.0
160	82	Appleyard	156	...	5.2	4.2	...
335	203	Bletchley Mtr	320	...	...	3.4	16.7
160	120	Bostrom	160	...	6.0	4.6	27.9
468	165	Br Aerospace	431	-2	7.0	2.0	...
52	19½	Burndene	47	...	...	3.1	12.5
388	303	Caffyns	388	...	11.5	3.7	78.5
15	4½	Cloverdale	14½	+½	...	...	...
143	98	Central Mtr	135	...	...	3.7	34.3
29	18	Cook (DC)	25	...	...	3.0	∞
267	156	Cowie (T)	252½	-4½	6.2	3.1	19.2
140	86	Dag Motors	136	...	5.7	5.2	24.9
155	102½	Davnprt Vern	155	...	...	3.3	19.6
300	155	ERF	298	...	2.0	0.8	...
145	92	European Mtr	141	...	...	3.1	19.8
490	208	Evans Halshaw	400 †	-2	11.8	3.5	61.6
290	226	FR Group	267	-1	...	3.4	12.4
3650	2843½	Ford Motor	3347½	+31½	...	...	...
3312½	2143½	General Mtr	2912½	-12½	...	1.7	...
75	38	Gowrings	68	-2	2.0	3.7	...
247	65	Henlys	244 †	-2	3.0	1.5	...
982	650	Honda Motor	915	-16	...	0.6	...
30	15	Jacks (Wm)	26	...	...	...	...
108	66	Jessups	100	...	4.5	5.6	...
166	97	Kwik-Fit	161	-1	...	2.6	28.9
430	281	Lex Service	415	+1	...	3.2	22.7
162	65	Lookers	161	...	6.2	4.6	...
164	126	Lucas	158	-2	7.0	5.5	...
22	21	Malaya Grp	21	...	...	...	...
283	224½	Pendragon	283	...	...	3.0	22.9
198	106	Perry Gp	197	-2	7.0	4.9	...
186	108	Quicks Group	188 †	-2	...	3.0	24.0
160	96½	Rolls-Royce	147½ †	-1	...	4.2	...
223	164	T & N	205	-4½	...	7.0	27.6
313	160	Trinity Hldgs	313	...	...	3.3	∞
175	125	Vardy (Reg)	175	...	...	3.0	24.5
253	121	Westland	247	...	4.2	2.2	21.8

NEWS, PUBLISHERS

1993 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
190	103	Adscene	190	+2	5.0	3.2	∞
360	315	Black (A&C)	360	...	13.5	4.7	14.8
608	308	Blenheim Gp	333	-22	...	3.4	12.3
370	275	Bristol	345	...	...	4.3	31.1
£102	775	Daily Mail	9925	...	15.0	1.6	22.3
£101½	700	Daily Mail 'A'	9925	...	15.0	1.6	22.3
305	251	Dorling Kind	296	...	...	1.3	28.3
373	222	EMAP	354	...	...	2.8	21.5
1112	673	Euromoney Pb	1085	...	29.5	3.4	24.4
264	170	Harrington K	252	...	4.5	2.2	20.5
463	335	Haynes Pub	463	+8	8.0	2.2	∞
363	347	Hodder H'line	362	...	5.0	1.6	30.6
140	94	Home Counts	150	...	6.0	...	...
147	30	Intl Bus Comm	142	-3	...	...	20.5
14	6½	Int Cm & Data	13	+1½	...	...	...
395	240	Independent	392 †	...	...	2.0	19.2
580	395	Johnston Press	578	...	6.2	1.4	24.9
318	243	Metal Bulletin	316	...	8.0	3.1	22.5
183	88	Mirror Gp	178	-1	...	...	...
447	297	News Corp	437	+1	...	0.3	∞
274	169	News Intl	274	...	1.3	0.6	∞
535	354	Pearson	532	+3	...	2.8	28.6
675	510	Portsmth Sund	626	...	...	1.9	17.3
776	618	Reed Int	694 †	+1	...	3.0	30.5
148	98	Southnews	148	...	...	1.6	27.4
171	90	Sterling Pub	170 †	+2	...	2.2	18.7
423	228	Telegraph	391	...	...	3.5	16.3
825	715	Thomson Corp	715	-20	...	2.1	35.7
389	213	Trinity Intl	385	-1	8.7	2.9	23.1
39	27	Unit Group	29	...	...	...	...
593½	480½	Utd Newspapers	575	-1	...	4.2	17.0

OILS, GAS

1993 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
37	17	Aran Energy	34	+1	...	...	33.1
61	37	Arcon Intl	40	...	...	...	...
71	41½	Aus Oil & Gas	61½	-4½	...	...	...
43	26	Aviva Pet	64	...	...	...	...
16	9	Beverley	11½	...	...	...	...
205	145	Br Borneo	201	+1	7.1	4.5	6.0
339½	270	British Gas	329½	...	14.2	5.5	15.6
320	225	Br Petroleum	299½	...	8.4	3.5	23.5
1½	1	Bula Resources	1½	...	...	...	...
821	675	Burmah Castrl	771 †	+8	...	4.1	18.0
65	32	Cairn Energy	63	+1	...	...	9.0
286	223	Calor Gp	286	+10	...	5.2	23.8
60½	32½	Clyde Pet	51	-1	...	...	...
44	37	Copies Res	41	-1	...	...	...
23½	10½	Edin Oil & Gas	18	-1	...	...	...
527	307	Enterprise	474	-1	16.0	4.3	25.6
65	33	Exp Co Louis	33	-1	...	...	...
31	18½	Fairhaven Intl	25½	...	...	2.3	4.0
67	45	Goal Pet	61	+3	1.4	3.0	11.7
44	18	Gt Western Res	44	...	...	...	...
175	104½	Hardy O & G	169	+3	...	0.7	15.7
46	18½	Kelt Energy	42	...	...	...	...
195	130	LASMO	137	-1	3.3	3.0	22.8
103	63	-do- Units	79	...	...	9.4	15.0
24	10	Mid Scot Res	11	...	...	...	...

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1993 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
56	34	Monument	52½	-2	...	...	...
9½	4	New London	9½	...	...	...	...
33	21	Nth Sea Assets	27	+1	1.0	4.6	9.3
36	27	Oil Search	32	...	...	...	...
17	11	Pcirrz	15½	...	...	...	...
144	99	Pict Pet	140	...	...	...	16.2
29½	15	Premier	24	...	...	...	6.5
115	50	Presidio	115	...	...	5.3	...
393	290	Ranger	310	+2	...	5.2	...
6712½	5150	Royal Dtch Fl	6656	-25	...	4.6	16.4
4500	3600	Schlumberger	4187½	-109½	...	1.6	...
67	47	Seafield	54	+1	...	...	...
682	515	Shell	654	-4	21.9	4.3	10.8
203	173	Sunrise Eng Sv	173	-6	...	...	...
41	21	Triton Europe	24	-1	...	...	...
12½	6	Vallets Grp	11½	...	...	...	...
172	137½	Woodside	137½	-4	...	2.5	...

PAPER, PRINT, ADVTG

1993 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
142	120	AG Holdings	142	+4	...	4.6	12.6
331	240	API	325	...	7.5	2.9	26.2
210	144	Arjo Wiggins	206	+4	...	4.0	32.9
540	406	Abbott Mead	576	...	9.3	2.2	27.9
40	13	Aegis Gp	36	...	...	...	...
212	116	Aspen Comm	135	...	...	4.6	12.1
13	7	BBB Designs	13	...	...	...	...
407	234	Bemrose	405	-2	...	3.6	15.0
33	12	Birkdale	16	...	0.2	1.6	13.5
146	116	Bunzl	144	+3	4.0	3.5	21.4
301	257	CIA Gp	364	...	...	1.8	19.2
226	43	Capital Inds	229	...	...	1.7	22.5
79	44	Cly of Lon	78	+1	...	6.2	14.4
244	169	Cropper (James)	244	...	3.1	1.6	25.6
6	6	Crown Comm	6 #	...	...	...	...
92	51	Delyn Pckging	89	-1	1.6	2.3	12.0
117	94	Dolphin Pack	106	...	4.5	5.2	26.2
87	42	Dudley Jenkins	84	-1	...	4.6	9.1
15½	11½	Elanick	11½	...	...	3.2	15.1
73	41	Fairway Group	70	...	3.1	5.6	30.6
340	271	Ferguson Intl	340	...	...	4.6	15.4
109	42	Ferry Pick	105 †	...	...	6.7	25.3
152	74	Filofax	151	...	...	1.0	19.4
30	14	Fitch	15	...	...	...	...
132	69	Gibbon Lyons	121	...	...	5.2	13.7
295	247	Gold Greenless	282	...	8.3	3.8	∞
41	30	Goodhead	32	...	0.5	2.1	...
88	35	Hunterprint	47	-1	...	...	...
165	136	Interurope	165	...	7.4	5.7	10.8
264	191	Jarvis Porter	256	...	...	2.3	23.9
32	15	Lopex	27	...	...	...	...
309	175	More O'Ferrall	307	...	13.2	5.4	36.7
123	49	NMC Group	114	-1	2.0	2.2	17.4
166	66	Osborne & Little	166	+1	...	3.5	16.2
525	455	Portals	496	-4	...	3.7	17.0
3	¼	Premier Hltn	2	...	...	...	...
279	167	Quarto	270	...	5.3	2.3	15.6
347	287	St Ives Gp	310	...	5.2	2.1	21.1
185	142½	Saatchi	162	...	...	...	...
474	292	Sanpi	298	+6	...	12.5	5.7
32	11½	Serif	30½	-½	...	...	...
32	14	Shandwick	24	...	...	...	...
397	294	Smith David	363	-2	...	3.3	20.1
295	214	Smurfit Jeff	259	-4	...	3.0	16.2
66	45	Sonic	61	...	1.5	3.1	25.6
246	153	Sun-Plus	234	+4	8.0	4.2	20.3
27½	16½	Taylor Nelson	27½	...	0.3	1.4	22.9
68	38	VTR	68	...	...	6.2	19.4
103	40	WPP	103	+1	...	1.2	3.4
176	62	Wace	174 †	...	...	...	...
258	203	Waddington (J)	257	...	...	3.6	16.3
732	540	Walmsgh	732	+3	11.5	2.0	28.7
7	4½	Westporta	6	...	...	...	...
34	12	Whitney Mcke	24	...	...	...	...
67	55	Wood (SW)	78	-1	...	2.0	10.7

PROPERTY

1993 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
102	41	Allied Lon	102	...	3.5	4.3	...
63	56	Arcadian	62	...	...	...	...
16½	4½	Ascot Hldgs	6½	...	...	...	...
104	53	Asda	104	...	...	2.5	10.9
139	86	Avonside	139	+2	4.0	3.6	19.2
2637½	2062½	BCE	2100	-12½	...	...	...
662	398	Bilton	649	+1	18.9	3.6	23.5
110	23	Bourne End	90	...	1.0	1.4	...
224	150	Bradford	222	+2	5.4	3.0	22.5
23	5	Bredero	17	...	...	...	...
393	160½	Br Land	393	+5	...	2.2	35.8
240	140½	Brixton	220	+4½	...	4.5	18.2
79	42	Burford	77 †	...	...	1.9	...
173	99	Cap & Regnl	173	...	...	0.8	...
215	130	Cardiff Prop	215	...	2.4	1.4	...
490	196	Chesterfield	490	...	11.0	2.8	35.1
43	12	City Site Ests	41	-2	1.4	...	...
23	12	Clarke Nickolls	21	...	...	...	...
57	34	Conrad Rbist GS	49	...	...	...	...
1260	818	Doejan	1260	...	...	2.7	15.6
3½	1½	Daris Estates	2½	...	...	...	...
98	53	Debenhm Twsn	95	...	...	3.9	18.5
12	4	De Morgan	8	...	...	...	...
153	76	Dencora	152	...	3.0	2.5	...
548	263	Derwent Hldgs	548	+3	8.6	2.0	66.3
45	10	Development Sec	43½	+½	...	...	...
55	25	Dwyer	53	...	...	...	...
300	170	Estates Agency	285	...	3.0	...	26.1
37	7½	Estates Gen	31	...	...	...	...
214	132	Evans Of Leeds	206	...	...	2.8	18.2
33½	11	Five Oaks	33	...	...	...	...
63	30	Fletcher King	62	...	1.0	2.0	41.1
469	276½	Frogmore	468	+2	...	4.0	27.2
229	97	Grainger	191	...	5.2	3.4	42.7
214	116½	Gt Portland	213	+7	...	4.7	20.4
27½	7½	Greycoat	22½	-½	...	...	...
151	101	HK Land	149	...	...	4.4	20.2
84	35	Hambro Cntyw	79 †	-1	0.5	0.8	...
403	257½	Hammerson	403	+5	10.0	3.1	40.8
403	245	-do- 'A'	372	+8	10.0	3.4	37.6
253	127	Helical Bar	252	-1	...	2.4	4.1
35	19	Hemingway	32½	...	...	...	...
132	56	Herring Baker	75	...	...	3.7	6.3	18.8
153	133	Jermyn	138	...	...	...	...
682	436	Land Sec	664	+4	22.8	4.3	20.0
111	77	Lon Merch Sec	105	...	4.0	4.8	16.3
4½	1½	Lon & Metro	3½	...	...	...	...
570	315½	MEPC	503	+3	...	5.0	21.6
9	5	McInerney A	9 #	...	...	...	...
135	90	McKay Secs	154	...	3.5	3.3	∞
7½	3	Markheath	6	-½	0.5	...	...
48	12	Merivale Mre	41	...	1.0	...	...
5	5	Merlin Intl	5 #	...	...	...	...
41	29	Moorfield Est	40	...	...	...	...
1250	775	Mountview	1250	+50	20.0	2.0	12.4
169	112	Mucklow (A&J)	167	-1	5.9	4.2	23.5
36	30	Olives Prop	36	...	1.5	5.2	...
10½	3½	Osory Est	5	...	0.1	...	1.5
153	88	PSIT	153	...	4.1	3.4	30.3
295	138	Peel	295	+5	4.0	1.7	∞
16	7	Power Corp	8	...	...	...	0.9
48	22	Property Trust	38	...	...	...	∞
75	42	Raglan	56	+2	...	...	...
29	11	Regalian	21½	...	...	...	...
135	110	Rowlinson Secs	135	...	1.5	1.4	35.9
47	16	St Modwen Prp	44	+1	0.6	1.7	33.5
70	39	Savills	60	...	...	2.1	23.8
98	54	Scot Met	98	+2	1.5	...	...
105	39	Shaftesbury	96	...	...	...	...
15½	5	Shield	12	...	...	...	6.3
243	139½	Slough Estates	237 †	+10	...	4.3	16.6
82	56	Southend Prop	77	...	...	3.9	...
36	16	Stanhope Prps	32	+1	...	...	...
189	114	Tops Ests	189	+2	2.1	1.4	67.4
125	79	Town Centre	125	...	3.1	3.1	23.3
83	43	Trafford Park	78	...	2.5	4.1	21.0
56	17	Uk Land	45	-½	...	...	...
9½	4	Union Square	6½	...	...	...	...
256	180	Warner	256	+1	10.5	5.1	23.4
218	166	Warnford	218	...	7.5	4.3	16.0
8	2	Waterglade	2½	...	...	...	...
92	35	Wates	90	-1½	0.7	...	...
76	40	Wood John Dx	73	...	...	...	...

SHOES, LEATHER

1993 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
15	11	Automagic	16	...	...	...	...
174	84	Headlam	172	+3	...	1.9	38.6
500	315	Lambert	315	...	13.0	5.2	7.7
100	51	Pittards	63	...	2.0	4.0	18.0
30	20	Strong & Fisher	27	...	1.0	4.6	7.5
187	94	Stylo	184	+1	...	2.0	70.4
66	53	UK Safety	66	...	...	23.8	2.2

TEXTILES

1993 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
506	409	Allied Text	484	...	12.6	3.3	15.6
69	54	Beckman (A)	61	...	4.7	...	12.1
35	21	Bolton Gp	29	...	...	...	14.6
170	141	Br Mohair	165	...	8.5	6.4	15.5
53	15	Charnwell	41	...	...	...	...
364	298	Claremont Ga	346	-4	7.2	2.6	21.4
601	522	Courtaulds Text	501 †	...	12.6	3.0	15.4
53½	34½	Cupid	33	-1	...	...	...
248½	205	Dawson	216	...	...	5.2	16.4
38	22	Drummond	38	...	...	...	...
81	65	Faupel	81	...	...	7.6	12.5
34	15	Foster (John)	22	...	...	...	...
133	82	Gaskell	119	...	...	4.2	4.5	...
216	156	Hicking Pntcst	216	+2	...	2.3	16.8
64	45	Jerome (S)	64	...	...	...	...
365	249	Lamont	360	...	12.0	4.2	23.9
506	353½	Leeds	505	...	...	1.8	24.4
59	15	Lister	54	-5	0.1	0.2	...
122	78	Lyles (S)	95	...	4.9	7.4	9.4
199	69	Magellan	189	...	1.4	0.9	...
166	69	Parkland 'A'	165	...	2.0	1.5	...
102½	62	Readicut	101	...	...	4.3	19.0
58	35	SEET	53	...	...	...	...
116	72	Sirdar	116	...	5.1	5.5	20.4
72	44	Stirling Gp	70	...	1.8	3.3	17.1
51	37	Stoddard	49	...	...	3.8	45.6
312	250	Tomkinsons	294	...	11.5	4.8	25.8
62½	32½	West Trust	39	...	2.5	8.0	∞
208½	126	Yorklyde	181	...	...	3.6	11.9

TOBACCOS

1993 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
507	407	BAT	447	-5	...	5.2	13.4
743	584½	Rothmans 'B'	675	-21	11.5	2.1	13.4

TRANSPORT

1993 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
469	349	Assoc Br Ports	438	-3	...	2.4	...
630	707	BAA	918	-7	...	2.4	20.3
367	249	Br Airways	364	-3	...	3.6	20.0
106	56	Clarkson (H)	86	-3	1.5	2.1	...
23	23	Davies Newman	23 #	...	...	...	...
515	332	Eurotunnel Uts	495	+6	...	...	...
52	44	Fisher (James)	82	...	...	1.0	1.5	22.0
211	147	IoM Steam	208 †	-1	...	4.5	10.9
34	26	Jacobs (J)	32 †	...	0.5	2.0	...
60	41	Lon O'seas Frts	56	...	...	1.3	18.6
2975	1262½	Maersk Sh	2975	...	4.5	0.2	16.2
394	290	Mersey Dock	376	...	7.5	2.5	24.0
290	181	Mail Express	269	...	...	3.3	19.3
294	230	NFC	290	-3	6.5	3.1	20.4
335	244	Ocean Group	335	+10	...	5.4	...
73	40	Ocean Wilson	73	...	4.0	6.8	13.2
676	504	P & O Dfd	601	-15	...	6.6	31.5
159	122	P & O 5 1/2%	158	+1	...	4.4	...
563	448	Powell Duffryn	541	...	...	5.2	21.0
171	117	Seacon	171 †	...	...	3.7	10.8
149	112	Stagecoach	144	+1	...	3.3	∞
60½	31½	TNT	54½	-3	...	...	...
773	624	Tibbet & Britn	740	...	11.8	2.0	28.4
282	173	Tiphook	241	...	...	9.9	...
298	227	TDG	262	+1	...	4.6	8.6

WATER

1993 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
553	455	Anglian Water	528	+5	...	5.0	10.7
654	547	Northumbrian	643	-5	...	4.4	6.6
537½	431	North West	514½	+2½	...	5.2	9.3
554	439	Severn Trent	543	+6	...	4.9	8.7
582	454	Sthrn Water	563	+4	...	4.7	9.6
1605	1225	Sth Staffs	1600	+5	47.0	3.7	11.4
579	465	South West	565	+10	...	5.2	9.3
563	454	Thames Water	535	+4	...	4.9	10.5
639	506	Welsh Water	618	+3	...	4.8	6.2
649	536	Wessex Water	633	+3	...	4.2	9.5
593	475½	Yorkshire W	549	+5	...	4.8	9.3

BRITISH FUNDS

SHORTS (under 5 years)

1993 High	Low	Stock	Price £	+/-	Int yld %	Grs red yld
108⅛	101¼	Treas 13¼% 1993	101⅛	-⅛	13.54	5.60
102⅛	101½	Treas 8¼% 1994	101½	...	8.41	5.57
109¼	104⅛	Treas 14½% 1994	104⅛	-⅛	13.92	5.62
109⅛	104⅛	Exch 13½% 1994	104⅛	-⅛	12.88	5.61
108⅛	103⅛	Treas 10% 1994	103⅛	-⅛	9.69	5.59
110⅛	106⅛	Exch 12¼% 1994	106⅛	-⅛	11.75	5.56
105⅛	103⅛	Treas 9% 1994	103⅛	...	8.66	5.54
111⅛	108⅛	Treas 12% 1995	108⅛	-⅛	11.08	5.59
97	94	Gas 3% 1990-95	96⅛	...	3.10	5.00
109½	107⅛	Exch 10¼% 1995	107⅛	-⅛	9.50	5.70
116½	113½	Treas 12¾% 1995	114	-⅛	11.18	5.80
120½	117⅛	Treas 14% 1996	117⅛	-⅛	11.90	5.88
125½	121⅛	Treas 15¼% 1996	122⅛	-⅛	12.46	5.08
120⅛	116½	Exch 13¼% 1996	117⅛	-⅛	11.26	5.98
111½	108½	Conv 10% 1996	111	-⅛	9.01	6.12
122⅛	118⅛	Treas 13¼% 1997	120⅛	-⅛	10.97	6.26
113½	110⅛	Exch 10½% 1997	113 †	-⅛	9.29	6.23
109	105½	Treas 8¾% 1997	108⅛	-⅛	8.05	6.24
132⅛	127⅛	Exch 15% 1997	130⅛	-⅛	11.51	6.51
112⅛	109⅛	Exch 9¾% 1998	112⅛	-⅛	8.67	6.41
105⅛	99⅛	Treas 7¼% 1998	103⅛ †	-⅛	6.99	6.30
101½	97⅛	Treas 6¾% 1995-98	100⅛	...	6.69	6.10
129½	125⅛	Treas 14% 1998-01	128⅛	-⅛	10.88	6.76

MEDIUMS (5 to 15 years)

1993 High	Low	Stock	Price £	+/-	Int yld %	Grs red yld
138⅛	133⅛	Treas 15½% 1998	137⅛ †	-⅛	11.25	6.60
123⅛	118½	Exch 12% 1998	122⅛	-⅛	9.77	6.71
113½	108⅛	Treas 9½% 1999	113⅛	-⅛	8.38	6.50
125½	120⅛	Exch 12¼% 1999	125½ †	-⅛	9.79	6.75
118½	112⅛	Treas 10½% 1999	118⅛	-⅛	8.88	6.61
118⅛	112⅛	Conv 10¼% 1999	118⅛	-⅛	8.68	6.63
113	108	Conv 9% 2000	112⅛	-⅛	7.98	6.56
133½	125½	Treas 13% 2000	132½	-⅛	9.79	6.89
118½	109⅛	Treas 10% 2001	118⅛	-⅛	8.46	6.83
119½	108½	Treas 9¾% 2002	118⅛	-⅛	8.21	6.90
108⅛	97½	Treas 8% 2003	108½	-⅛	7.38	6.80
122⅛	109½	Treas 10% 2003	121½ †	-⅛	8.22	6.95
125⅛	116½	Treas 11½% 2001-04	125⅛ †	-⅛	9.18	7.00
81⅛	67⅛	Fund 3½% 1999-04	79⅛	-⅛	4.39	6.05
119⅛	105½	Conv 9½% 2004	118⅛	-⅛	8.00	7.03
119⅛	105½	Conv 9½% 2005	118⅛	-⅛	7.99	7.07
137½	124½	Treas 12½% 2003-05	136⅛	-⅛	9.14	7.31
107	94½	Treas 8% 2002-06	106⅛ †	-⅛	7.51	7.01
130½	118⅛	Treas 11¾% 2003-07	129⅛	-⅛	9.04	7.27
112½	97⅛	Treas 8½% 2007	111½	-⅛	7.60	7.12
145⅛	131⅛	Treas 13½% 2004-08	144⅛ †	-⅛	9.32	7.32

LONGS (over 15 years)

1993 High	Low	Stock	Price £	+/-	Int yld %	Grs red yld
117½	101½	Treas 9% 2008	116½ †	-⅛	7.70	7.14
108⅛	92½	Treas 8% 2009	108½ †	-⅛	7.40	7.16
118⅛	100½	Conv 9% 2011	117⅛	-⅛	7.64	7.20
118⅛	100⅛	Treas 9% 2012	118½	-⅛	7.61	7.21
86⅛	70½	Treas 5½% 2008-12	86⅛ †	-⅛	6.38	6.81
106⅛	89½	Treas 7¾% 2012-15	106½	-⅛	7.29	7.14
108⅛	93⅛	Treas 8% 2013	108½ †	-⅛	7.39	7.21
148½	125⅛	Exch 12% 2013-17	147⅛	-⅛	8.11	7.38
117⅛	97½	Treas 8¾% 2017	117⅛	-⅛	7.46	7.22

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1993 High	Low	Stock	Price £	+/-	Int yld %	Grs red yld
48⅛	38½	War Ln 3½%	47⅛	-⅛	7.30	...
34½	27½	Treas 2½%	33½ †	-⅛	7.45	...

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1993 High	Low	Stock	Price £	+/-	Int yld %	Grs red yld
135½	131½	Treas IL 2% 1994	135½	+⅛	...	0.04
100⅛	104⅛	Treas IL 2% 1996	100⅛	+⅛	1.52	2.35
110½	105⅛	Treas IL 4⅝% 1998	110½	+⅛	1.80	2.49
169½	159	Treas IL 2½% 2001	169½ †	+⅛	2.60	2.95
166⅛	155	Treas IL 2½% 2003	166⅛	+⅛	2.75	3.03
113½	105½	Treas IL 4⅜% 2004	113½	+⅛	2.77	3.05
175⅛	159½	Treas IL 2% 2006	175⅛	+⅛	2.82	3.04
159⅛	144	Treas IL 2½% 2009	159⅛	+⅛	2.90	3.19
166½	148⅛	Treas IL 2½% 2011	166½	+⅛	3.03	3.20
137½	122⅛	Treas IL 2½% 2013	137½	+⅛	3.06	3.22
147½	130⅛	Treas IL 2½% 2016	147½	+⅛	3.09	3.24
143	124⅛	Treas IL 2½% 2020	143 †	+⅛	3.13	3.26
120⅛	102½	Treas IL 2½% 2024	120⅛	+⅛	3.13	3.24
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Forum will fight shortage of skills

David Guest on the campaign to match manpower with modern technology

A national campaign to upgrade the skills of computer users and specialists was launched in London yesterday. The Information Technology Skills Forum is proposed as a non-profit-making organisation led by employers.

The people behind the campaign regard the serious skills shortage in some information technology (IT) departments of industry and commerce as a barrier to economic recovery, and argue that the traditional methods of developing skills are just not working.

The impetus for the forum comes from the West London Training and Enterprise Council. A report on the obstacles to the growth of skills, published earlier this year by the council, has triggered a plan of action by a number of companies in and outside the computer industry, and by the industry pressure group, IT Focus, in which Peter Bonfield, ICL chief executive, features prominently.

"We feel we've put our finger on a serious national problem," says Meenu Vora, the council's executive director. "But any strategy to deal with it has to be a national project."

Founder-members of the forum come predominantly from the west London area. They include computer companies Amdahl and Hoskyns, recruitment agency Computer People, Brunel University, the London Borough of Hounslow and representatives of commerce such as Grand Metropolitan and Rank Xerox.

What makes this group unusual is that it does not intend simply to call for more money to be made available for training.

Ms Vora says: "There are more than five million people who use computers at work. They outnumber IT specialists by 13 to one, and their number will have doubled by the year 2,000. A very high proportion is deficient in the skills needed. To get them all to reach a satisfactory minimum level would cost £10 billion to £20 billion, and the time is just not there.

"Business and inter-personal skills are also low and the development of technology has overstepped the development of skills to exploit it. In the United States and Britain, the emphasis has been on developing technology — we need to shift that emphasis back to skills."

The forum will explore new ways of developing workers' abilities and will try to encourage the computer industry to make its products less difficult to use.

Ms Vora is adamant that the forum will not just be a talking shop. "It will produce specific aids for the members' own use," she says. "It will also work with suppliers to turn its ideas into products, ranging from multimedia and helpline products to a model for a school/industry twinning programme."

TED BATH



Meenu Vora: "Five million people use computers. A proportion is deficient in the skills needed"

It is expected that the forum will be run by a central council of six people which will organise activity in five different streams: research, development, member events, lobbying/representation, and product development. Each will have targets: products which should result from their activities, and end results. The involvement of IT Focus should be helpful to the forum, as the pressure group lends credibility and brings contacts with some of the large organisations in the industry.

Regional seminars are also planned. The host organisation in each case will be a computer user of IT. But the boundaries between users and suppliers have become unclear under the forum's umbrella. Computer giants IBM, ICL and Digital Equipment are involved, but are classified as users rather than suppliers.

There must also be a risk that companies which are now far keener to present themselves as suppliers of services than of heavy-duty computing software, will turn the forum into a means of selling services to their fellow members.

Meanwhile, the computer market is showing signs of addressing the problem unprompted by skills forums. Products like Apple's Macintosh and Microsoft's Windows devote a great deal of computing power to making programs easier to use.

For companies unable to afford throwing out their old systems and replacing them with networks of Macintoshes, organisations like KPMG and Logica have developed ways of applying the lessons of ease-of-use on a wider scale.

KPMG says its method. Studio, is aimed at making existing systems easier to use as well as for developing new ones. The key point, says the consultancy, is that so far the development of computer systems has been largely a matter of seeing what computers could do.

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At last, a driver guaranteed not to fall asleep at the wheel

Scientists are training computers that think for themselves to drive vehicles, says William Thompson

As a motorist, Alvinn is pretty reliable. He can drive a big military truck long distances at top speed without falling asleep — and still respond instantly to hazards like a child wandering into the road.

He has his limitations, however. For instance, he gets confused if cars flash past in the other lane. But then, what can you expect from a robot motorist?

Alvinn, the automated driver, is the latest achievement in teaching computers to think like humans. The armed forces have long been interested in the development of driverless vehicles, which could fearlessly enter battle zones in pursuit of the enemy.

Until recently, attempts to build such vehicles have centred on using very powerful computers that take information about their surroundings from sensors around the vehicle, and then work out where to drive and how to avoid obstacles.

Designing programs for such computers is very hard work. Programmers must ensure that all eventualities are covered — for example, if a child walks across a road, then do this; if a car overtakes, do that. But recent breakthroughs in so-called "neural network" computing have given scientists a radically new way of designing driverless vehicles. Instead of having to laboriously program computers for every type of road and hazard, neural networks enable computers to learn how to drive — much like a human does.

Scientists at Carnegie Mellon University in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, funded mainly by the US defence department, have now modified a US army truck, called Navlab II, to incorporate these latest breakthroughs.

Most days the driver is Alvinn, short for Autonomous Land Vehicles in a Neural Network, a computer that has been taught to drive at up to 55mph on ordinary roads.

During a driving "lesson", a human driver controls the truck, and Alvinn's computer receives specially-processed images of the road ahead from a video camera on the truck's roof. At the same time, the computer is told which way the human driver is steering.

Instead of being programmed with details of different situations, Alvinn has been given clever, but relatively simple, learning rules that enable his computer brain to relate the video camera images to the direction in which he should be driving.

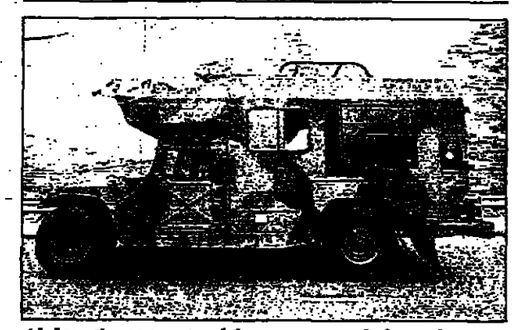
Like any new driver, Alvinn makes mistakes. However, the learning rules enable him to learn from them and modify his responses. As he receives more images and the appropriate steering directions carried out by his instructor, Alvinn rapidly becomes better at relating the two. After about five minutes, Alvinn is able to drive the truck himself.

Because he relies on the video images, situations such as junctions, or pedestrians suddenly walking into the road, can still cause Alvinn problems. Then, control is handed over to a second computer system named Eddie, for Efficient Decentralised Database and Interface Experiment, which uses information from maps and other vehicle sensors to work out what to do next.

According to Dr Martial Hebert, one of Alvinn's creators, using neural networks has two great advantages. First, you do not need extremely powerful computers to enable Alvinn to work. But the biggest advantage over the old techniques is that Alvinn can cope with situations he has never seen before. "You don't even have to identify the important features of a situation — the neural network can do that itself."

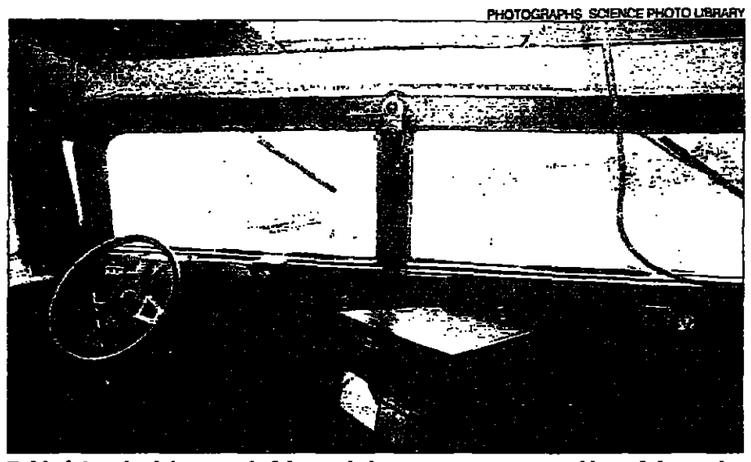
In trials, Alvinn has driven the Navlab truck at 55mph along a 20-mile stretch of four-lane road. There are still some problems to be overcome, however. The biggest is that, like a horse taken on the road, Alvinn has problems coping with other traffic. It may take "several years of research" to solve this, Dr Hebert says. Driving is much more complex than many people think.

But Dr Hebert and his colleagues have set themselves an ambitious goal — a 430-mile trip from Pittsburgh to Chicago with Alvinn driving all the way.



Alvinn, the computer-driven army truck, is ready to go

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Behind the wheel, in control of the truck, is a computer screen and box of electronics

Marcus and Mario take up teaching

After a parental backlash, computer game makers are creating educational packages. Are they worth buying? David Hewson reports

Later this year, Marcus the Mole, a furry little creature with street cred, is setting out on his mission in life: to create business for his masters, Eurotunnel. As the mascot for "Le Shuttle" — the Channel tunnel trains — one of his aims is to help educate Europe's primary school children to speak the languages of EC member countries.

Videos, books and a television series are being produced to bring Marcus to millions of children, but one of the key products will also see him as the star of the computer screen in a language-teaching software package.

Parents have become increasingly worried that personal computers are turning children into keyboard junkies, hooked on games characters such as Sonic the Hedgehog and the Mario Brothers. The software industry's response is to harness the fun elements of cartoon-like PC characters to new roles in education.

Some characters, like Marcus — catch phrase: "Holey Moley"; favourite food, worm soup — are new. Others are the same villains of the game market but wearing new, educational hats. The Mario Brothers are just appearing on a CD-Rom, Mario is Missing, issued by Mindscape. It is designed to help children with their geography and Mario will soon be doing the same job on a history disc.

CD-Rom is a computer version of the audio CD capable of storing vast amounts of sound, music, video images and software on a single disc.

James Morris, marketing manager with Mindscape, Mario's educational distributors, says the educational venture is partly a response to criticism of the characters and partly a demand from parents for home computer products that make learning fun.

The demand for home education products has surprised many who have dipped a toe in the market. Wonderland, the video company working on the Marcus title, produced an earlier, simpler video to help primary school children learn French — which rapidly sold more than 60,000 copies in Britain.

Few educationalists doubt the power of a good PC package to help children learn.



Marcus the Mole will help to encourage language skills

The difficulty for parents, however, lies in distinguishing the few suitable packages from the many poor ones.

Educational titles now available for PC users in Britain cover a broad range of material which varies enormously in quality and price.

While educational videos may be steady sellers in high street retail outlets, educational software rarely reaches the shelves of the same shops, which continue to be dominated by computer games. As a result, parents have to track down specialist suppliers and then take a deep breath when they see the price list.

Educational software falls into two distinct camps: mainstream products imported from America, and British programs developed by companies with links to the state school system — most of whom are now developing titles to match the National Curriculum's requirements.

Both can have distinct disadvantages when used at home. American programs are rarely designed with an international audience in mind. A package based on the popular Snoopy cartoon strip characters is called Peanuts Yearn 2 Learn (sic).

It consists of one excellent set of maths tests, a geographical section designed to teach the names and locations of the mainland American states, a simple colouring book and two basic games. It costs more than £50.

Many British programs are designed for classroom use and frequently have some funding from the state-backed National Council for Educational Technology. Whatever their merit as aids for teachers, many lack the vital fun element required to make them a success in the home.

The first rule with any children's computer program is: if it bores them, they will soon stop using it. When I ran more than two dozen American and British educational software titles in front of two guinea pigs — Thomas, aged seven, and Catherine, aged five — they plumped for the more colourful, more imaginative, and frequently less relevant, American programs every time.

The British programs also tend to be priced as classroom aids. At £80 or more a title, they can be good value for schools which can use them many times over, but for an individual home user the cost is likely to be prohibitive.

Snoopy's Yearn 2 Learn package points up another problem with all home educational titles. If they are going to be as entertaining as possible they need to combine sound and colourful graphics in the same way as games machines — something often beyond the capabilities of all but the latest PCs.

The Snoopy program, for example, takes up 11 megabytes of hard disc space, more than some home computers have available. Hence the ideal medium for home education is CD-Rom.

Most developers now accept that it is difficult to make home education titles sufficiently spellbinding on any other medium. Language packages which lack, say, proper speech, are doomed to begin with, although several are sold as educational packages at more than £50 a time. But CD-Rom drives, and the sound cards and speakers needed to make the most of them, are still rare in British homes.

Both parents and software developers have a lot to learn about the new medium before it becomes an effective educational tool in the home. Any parents considering buying packages at the moment should ask, if possible, for a demonstration before parting with their money.



Mario is teaching children geography and soon will add history to the syllabus

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All change

IN the fight for sales, IBM may be adopting a more trendy image. One of the signs is a sudden relaxation of the iron discipline that used to rule, whereas rival Apple is fast becoming more corporate looking.

When a task force of Apple engineers arrived recently at IBM's headquarters in Rochester, New York, to start work on a joint venture, the IBM team turned up dressed in the famously-casual Apple style. The Apple engineers, however, arrived dressed in the equally famous IBM suits, white shirts and ties.

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Apple turnover

APPLE Computer is to increase its turnover by selling a multimedia kit to boost the capabilities of personal computers powered by chips built by its arch rival Intel.

The CD Multimedia Kit, says the company, can transform a personal computer into a machine capable of operating programs coming from CD-Roms.

Apple already builds multimedia technology for its own Macintosh personal computers which allows them to run applications more easily than computers powered by Intel chips.

Mighty minis

AN upgraded line of minicomputers are to be introduced by IBM. The company says three new AS-400 machines will be up to 80 per cent more powerful than current models and include improved software and storage features.

IBM is now focusing the range on "client/server" computing, the new style of team computing becoming popular.

Snappy number

CANON is claiming to have developed the world's smallest and lightest single-lens reflex (SLR) camera with a built-in flash. The company says the camera, which weighs 13 ounces, will go on sale in Japan from October at £550 including a 28-80 millimetre lens. The body can be bought separately for £370.

The camera measures 5.8 by 3.7 inches and is 2.5 inches thick. Canon says the camera features "enhanced silent film transport" and can also take panoramic photographs.

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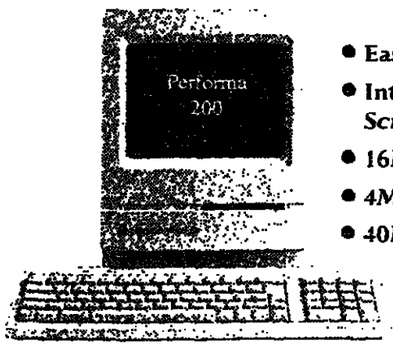
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Although HDTVs, with their cinema-quality wide-angle images, were predicted to be a consumer hit when they were introduced in 1990, sales have been disappointing.

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How the Vacancies Service works

Students still looking for a place in engineering and technology should find themselves in a buyers' market if they have even reasonable qualifications.

The vacancies listed on this page have hardly altered since they were last published on Tuesday. Admissions officers, especially in the new universities and colleges, report a severe shortage of applicants in most of today's subjects.

Although the traditional universities look like taking up to 10,000 more students than they did last year, despite the government's attempt to halt expansion in the arts and social sciences, other institutions have accepted the need to consolidate. Surprisingly, the Polytechnics Central Admissions System now expects its overall number of students placed to drop this Autumn.

Some engineering courses still advertising vacancies are effectively full, but admissions officers are operating waiting lists in the hope of attracting better-qualified applicants. In the meantime, other candidates must wait to learn whether they have a place.

All the courses listed still had vacancies yesterday. The codes following each university or college name are those appearing in the UCCA or *PCAS handbook for 1993 entry*. Where a figure appears in brackets, it gives the institution's estimate of the number of A-level points required for entry.

Points are calculated on the normal UCCA scale, using a maximum of three A-levels. An A grade is worth ten points, B eight, C six, D four and E two. An A grade at AS-level counts as five points, B four, C three, D two and E one point.

Most new universities and colleges of higher education do not publish predicted entry requirements. Candidates with other qualifications should contact the university to establish course requirements. The courses are listed under subject headings, and combined subject degrees may appear in more than one section. Full details of each course are contained in the *UCCA and PCAS handbooks*.

All applicants who were rejected by their original choices should have been sent clearing instructions by the two admissions bodies. The process is also open to new applicants. Neither UCCA nor PCAS allocates places, but both can be contacted in the event of problems with a clearing application. Enquiries about specific courses should be addressed directly to the university or college concerned.

A number of helplines are operating during the clearing period, which finishes on September 24. The official service, operated from Middlesex University, can be contacted on 081 801 3000 (a queuing system prevents the number from ringing engaged, but often means a long wait) for callers.

● The *Times* listings are compiled from universities' own returns. Not all institutions are included because some provide information to the admissions bodies and official agencies only. Tomorrow we return to the artsand social sciences.

UCCA

AERONAUTICAL ENG
City: H420 (16), H412 (24), H400 (18)
Cranfield (RMCS): H420 (14)
Glasgow: H400 (14) HH5S (14), HH5 (14)
Liverpool: H425 (12)
London, Queen Mary & West: J5H4 (8)
Manchester: H400 (22), H401 (22), H420 (22)
Salford: H400 (12)

AGRICULTURAL ENG
Cranfield (Silsoe): H330
Newcastle: H330 (12)

BUILDING
Bath: K224
Liverpool: K240
London, UC: K200 (12)
Reading: K220, (14)
Strathclyde: K220 (18)
Ulster: K200 (14), K202 (12)

CERAMICS
Leeds: J300 (12)

CHEMICAL ENG
Bath: H800 (20)
Bradford: H890, H893, H894, H800, H891, H892, H803
Edinburgh: H800 (18)
Exeter: H840
Leeds: H800 (18), H862 (12), H8F9 (18), H850 (12)
London, UC: H870 (20), H800 (20), H801 (20), H880 (20), H814 (20), H871 (20), H875 (20)
Newcastle: H800 (18), H801 (18)
Swansea: H890 (14)

CIVIL ENGINEERING
Bath: H201 (16)
Bradford: H291 (10), H223 (4)
City: H200 (12), H209 (20), H206 (12)
Cranfield (RMCS): H200 (12)
Dundee: H200 (12), HK22 (12), HN21 (12)
Exeter: H201
Glasgow: H200 (12), H2F6 (12)
Liverpool: H200 (12), H201 (12), HK23 (12), HJ26 (12), H220 (12), H221 (8)
London, UC: H200 (22), H201 (18)
Manchester: H200 (18), H201 (18), H210 (18)
Queen Mary & West: H201 (14), H2N1 (10), H2R1 (12), H2R2 (12), *H2R4 (12)*
Salford: H200 (10), H2T2 (10)
Strathclyde: H2T2 (18), H200 (18)
Swansea: H200 (12)
Ulster: H200 (18)
UMIST: H201 (16), H220 (16), H225 (16), H2N8 (16)

ELECTRICAL ELECTRONIC ENG
Bath: H580 (16), H620 (16), HH56 (16)
Birmingham: HH56 (20)
Bradford: HHM6 (10), H695 (12), H696 (10), HH56 (12), H690 (12), H694, H605 (12), H606 (12), H691 (22), H692 (22), H693 (22), HH59 (12)
Brunel: HH56 (14), H617 (14), *HH5P (14), HH5Q (14), HHM6* (14), HH6N (14), HH6M (14)
City: H6H5 (12), H6HN (20), HH56 (8), H610 (12)
Cranfield (RMCS): H600 (14)
Dundee: HH56 (6)
Edinburgh: HH56 (18)
Exeter: HH56
Glasgow: GH5P (14), FH36 (14), H616 (14), H6F3 (14), HH56 (14)
Hull: H694 (10), H611 (10), H621 (12), H631 (12), H651 (12), H6F3 (12), HH36 (12)
Keele: CH46 (12), GH16 (12), FH65 (12), CH76 (12), FH16 (12), FH36 (12), HN61 (12), GH56 (12)
Kent: H605 (4), H600 (8)
Leeds: H600 (12), H6H5 (12)
Leicester: H580
Liverpool: H691 (12), HH56 (12), *H580 (12), H581 (12), H585 (8)*, H500 (12), H600 (12), H630 (12)
London, Kings: HH36 (18), HH56 (18), HH57 (18), HH65 (18), H602 (18)
Newcastle: H1H56 (8), HHM6 (8), H600 (8), H601 (8)
Nottingham: HH56, H6R2, H6R4, H6R8, H600, H6RC, H6RF, H6RK, H6RV
Manchester: HH56 (8), HHNP (8), HH5M(8), H580 (8), HHM6 (20) H600 (8), H604 (8), H602 (8), H601 (8), H611 (8), H605 (8), H603 (8), H606 (8), HH35 (18), H7N1 (18)
Queen Mary & West: HH36 (16)
Reading: H600 (14), H601 (10)
Salford: HH56 (8), H620 (8), H671 (14), H600 (8), H610 (8), H6N1
Strathclyde: HH53 (22), HH56 (16), HH5P (16), HH5Q (16), HH65 (16), HH6M (16)
UMIST: H6R1 (18), HH36 (18)
UEA: H602 (12), H608 (10), H6N1 (12), H605 (20)
Wales, Cardiff: HH56 (14), H602
Wales, Swansea: H6H5 (14)

ELECTRONICS
Birmingham: H601 (16)
Dundee: FH36 (6), GHC6 (12), GHM6 (12), H616 (6), H6N1 (6), HT63 (6), HH56 (6)
Edinburgh: H617 (18)
Essex: H600 (12), H601 (12), H605 (22), H630 (8)
London, King's: H602 (18), H610 *(18), H611 (18), H621 (18), HH36* (18)
London, Royal Holloway: H6N1 (14)
Newcastle: H617 (8), H616 (8)
UMIST: H635 (18)
Ulster: H616 (14), F245 (12), F240 (14)

ENGINEERING
City: Y636 (14)
Dundee: H200 (12), H300 (6), H616 (6), H6N1 (6), HK22 (12), HN21 (12), HN71 (6)
Edinburgh: H100 (18)
Exeter: J120, J100, F605
Leeds: H850 (12), H862 (12), HH36 (18)
Leicester: H106 (12), H101 (8), H100
Loughborough: F380
Liverpool: *BF92 (12), H100* (12), H1N1 (12), H102 (8), H1ND (8)
London, Imperial: JF52 (14), JF5F (18)
London, UC: H130
Manchester: H2K1 (18), H2KC (18), J940 (18), J941 (18)
Queen Mary & West: H100 (10), H106 (10), H1F9 (10), H1N1 (10), H1R1 (10), H1R2 (10), H1R4 (10). *J976* (6)
Salford: H6B8 (8)
Strathclyde: H1N1 (18)
Reading: H100 (14), H101 (10)
UMIST: H101 (18)
Ulster: H110

ENVIRONMENTAL ENGINEERING
Brunel: *H144, H145*
Cranfield (Silsoe): H355
Hull: H694 (10)
Leeds: H8F9 (18), H8FX (12), J1F9 (14)
Liverpool: K240 (12), HK23 (12)
London, Imperial: H255
Newcastle: H255 (12)
Strathclyde: J972 (18)

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Dundee: HN71 (6), HN21 (12), H6N1 (6)
Liverpool: H1N1 (12), H1NC (12), H1T2 (12), H1ND (8)
Queen Mary & West: H1N1 (10), *H2N1 (10)*

GENERAL ENGINEERING
Durham: H100
Exeter: H103
Leicester: H100 (12)
UMIST: H101 (18)

INFORMATION SYSTEMS
Cranfield (RMCS): H631 (12), H630 (12), GN51 (10)
Hull: G560, G530, GH56
Kent: H610 (8)
London, King's: G500 (18), G520 (18), G521 (18), G522 (18), G536 (18), G5H6 (18), G5HQ (18), G5NC (16)
Salford: G5N1 (14), G5R1 (14), G5R2 (14), G5T4 (14)
UMIST: G560 (16)
Wales, Aberystwyth: P201 (18)

MANUFACTURING ENGINEERING
Bradford: H705 (8)
Brunel: H780 (14), H7R1 (14), H7R2 (14), H7N1 (14)
Dundee: HN71 (6)
Hull: H764 (10)
Leeds: H780 (18)
Liverpool: HH17 (12)
London, King's: H710 (18)
Loughborough: H780
Manchester: H402 (22), H7N1 (18)
Salford: H700 (8)
Strathclyde: *H780 (20), H1N9 (16)*
UMIST: H7N1 (24), H716 (20)
Ulster: H780 (14)
Wales, Cardiff: H716 (14)

MARINE ENGINEERING
Glasgow: HJ36 (10)
Liverpool: HJ26 (12)
London, UC: HJ36 (20), J645 (18)
Strathclyde: J610 (20), J600 (20)

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Brunel: J520/J525, J5N1/J5NC, J200/J205
Leeds: J500 (12)
Liverpool: F200 (12), F2H6 (12), BF92, J520 (8)
London, Imperial: JF52 (14), JF5F (18)
Manchester: J220 (12)
London, Queen Mary & West: J5H4 (8)
UMIST: J220 (12), J289 (12), J560 (16), J5N1 (16), J5R2 (16), J5R1 (16), J5H6 (18)

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Bradford: H300 (8), H392 (8), H390 (8-12), HH7J (10), HH73 (10), H393 (12), H705 (16), H706 (16), H303 (4)
City: H300 (12), H390 (24)
Cranfield (RMCS): H300 (14)
Dundee: H300 (6)
Edinburgh: H300 (CCC)
Exeter: H301
Glasgow: H300 (12), HH37 (12), HH36 (12)
Leeds: H3N1 (18), H300 (18)
Leicester: H300 (12)
Liverpool: H300 (12), H301 (12), H3N1 (12), H3NC (12), HH37 (12), HH73 (12), H310 (8)
London, UC: H300 (20), H340 (18), H301 (20)
Loughborough: H300
Manchester: H300 (18), H301 (18), H302 (18), HH35 (18)
Queen Mary & West: H300 (12), H320 (12), H3R1 (10), H3R2 (10), H3R4 (10), HH36 (10)
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Salford: H300 (8)
Strathclyde: HH53 (22), H300 (18), H3H6 (18), H3J9 (18), H3J2 (18), H3H4 (18), H716 (20), H301 (20)
UMIST: HJ35 (18), H300 (18)
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Leeds: J200 (12)
Liverpool: J200 (12)
Manchester: J200 (12)
Strathclyde: J200 (18)
UMIST: J200 (12)

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Exeter: J100
Leeds: J100 (12)
London, Imperial: J100 (14)
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Glasgow: H111 (8)

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UMIST: J4N1 (16), J4W2 (18), J4NY (18), J4ND (16), J4T9 (16), J4NC (16), J4N9 (16), J349 (16), J4TX (16)

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Coventry: H400
Hertfordshire: H400, H408, H430, H438
Humberside: H400, H620
Kingston: H400
NE Wales Inst: H400 (2), H420 (2)
Univ of W England: H420

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Buckinghamshire: K299
Central Lancashire: K201, K260
Coventry: H260, H2T2
De Montfort: K214 (10)
De Montfort (MK): K100 (14)
Dundee Inst: K250 (4)
Glamorgan: K200
Glasgow Caledonian: K290
Greenwich: KN21
Hertfordshire: KN2C
Luton: Y400, K201
Leeds Metro: K250
Middlesex: KN21
Nene Coll: K200
Nottingham Trent: K200
Oxford Brookes: K200
Plymouth: K100
Robert Gordon: K100
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Southampton Inst: K252, K258
South Bank: K252, K258, K202, K2H7
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Hertfordshire: K240, K248
South Bank: K240

BUSINESS INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
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Central Lancs: GN51
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De Montfort: G561
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Guildhall: Y400
Kingston: G562
Luton: Y400
N London: Y100, G5N1
Portsmouth: NG49
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Teesside: G562

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Staffordshire: FJ13, FJ33, FJ36, HJ36, J320, JG34, JG35

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Glamorgan: H800
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South Bank: H800, H808
Teesside: H800

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Brighton: H200 (12)
Coventry: H260, H2T2, H208
Dundee Inst: H200 (10)
Glamorgan: H200, H201
Glasgow Caledonian: H200
Greenwich: H200
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Portsmouth: H200
Sunderland: H201
Teesside: H200
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Teesside: H108

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Glamorgan: H620
Greenwich: H620
Humberside: H520
N London: H62A, H620
Nene Coll: G560
Northumbria: H620
Plymouth: H620
Portsmouth: H620
Robert Gordon: H620
Salford Coll: H998
Staffordshire: H620, H628

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Buckinghamshire: H161
Glasgow, Caledonian: H161
Sheffield, Hallam: H161
South Bank: H161
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Oxford Brookes: G501
Robert Gordon: H610
South Bank: H580
Swansea Inst: H610
Teesside: H611
Univ of W England: G534
Westminster: H611

CONTROL ENGINEERING
E London: H610
Westminster: H640

DIGITAL SYSTEMS ENGINEERING
Luton: G532
Sunderland: H611
Univ of W England: H660

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Goldsmiths: E7W2
Sheffield Hallam: E9/72

ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING
Brighton: H580 (4)
Coventry: H580
De Montfort: H500
Dundee Inst: H500 (4), H580 (4)
E London: H580
Glamorgan: H580, H58A
Greenwich: H580, H588
Hertfordshire: H580, H588
Humberside: H100
Leeds Metro: H580
NE Wales Inst: H580
Nottingham Trent: H580, H588
Plymouth: H580
Portsmouth: H580
Robert Gordon: H580, H581
South Bank: H580, H588, H512
Staffordshire: H501, H508, H500
Sunderland: H580
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ELECTRONIC ENGINEERING
Brighton: H580 (4)
Central Lancashire: H600
Coventry: H580
De Montfort: H600
Dundee Inst: H600, H580 (4)
E London: H580
Glamorgan: H580, H600, H620, H58A
Greenwich: H580, H588 H600
Glasgow Caledonian: H600
Hertfordshire: H580, H588
Humberside: H520
Leeds Metro: H580
Middlesex: H600
NE Wales Inst: H580
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Northumbria: H611, H692, H580, H620
Oxford Brookes: H580
Plymouth: H603, H580
Portsmouth: H611, H580
Robert Gordon: H620, H610, H580, H581
Sheffield Hallam: H660, H669
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Staffordshire: H600, H601, H608
Sunderland: H580
Swansea Inst: H600, H580
Teesside: H600
Univ of C England: H600, H608
Univ of W England: H600
Westminster: H600

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Cardiff Inst: H601
Central Lancashire: H699, H588
Coventry: H640
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De Montfort: H100
Dundee Inst: H100
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Oxford Brookes: H100
Plymouth: H390, H100, H108, H101, *H199*
Portsmouth: H100, H603, H770, F61Z, H108
Robert Gordon: H611
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Southampton Inst: J950, J958
Staffordshire: H770
Univ of C England: *H100, H1R2, H108*

ENGINEERING PRODUCT DESIGN
Sheffield Hallam: H161, H130
South Bank: H770, H778
Staffordshire: H778
Sunderland: *HN71*
Swansea Inst: H770
Teesside: H811
Univ of C England: H770

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Plymouth: H611
Portsmouth: H605
South Bank: H100, H108
Wolverhampton: H660

ENGINEERING WITH BUSINESS STUDIES
Bournemouth: H120
Greenwich: HN11
Hertfordshire: H121, H128
Portsmouth: H120
Robert Gordon: N131
Sheffield Hallam: H120
Southampton Inst: H120, H128

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Univ of C England: *H6R2*

ENVIRONMENTAL ENGINEERING
Bath: Y400
Brighton: H250 (12)
Colchester: F900
Dundee Inst: F910 (4)
Middlesex: F950
Portsmouth: H250
Robert Gordon: H900
Sunderland: H250

FOOD TECHNOLOGY
Sheffield Hallam: N700
South Bank: H810, N788

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Brighton: H108
Central Lancs: H308
Kingston: H108
Univ of W England: H108

INDUSTRIAL INF.TECHNOLOGY
Central Lancashire: G560
De Montfort: N1H7
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VISUAL ART: Paris is the single European stopover on a great American collection's first tour; plus market news

Home for only a short visit

Richard Cork delights in a unique chance to enjoy French masterpieces that are normally hidden away out of public view

For anyone lucky enough to have visited Merion, a leafy suburb of Philadelphia, the Barnes Collection, created by Albert Coombs Barnes, is a revelation. Among the hundreds of paintings hung so densely on its walls, often interspersed with African tribal carvings, are images by Cézanne, Seurat, Van Gogh, Picasso, Matisse and other titans of French art.

But this astonishing cornucopia has always been difficult to see. Although Barnes left his treasures in trust, to be displayed for ever in the home he built for them, access was very limited. For a decade after his death in 1951 the public, and "art lovers" in particular, were banned. Even now it is only open at weekends, to severely controlled numbers of visitors. And Barnes flatly insisted that nothing should ever be lent, rearranged or reproduced in colour anywhere.

Now, for a few months, the citadel's fastness has been breached. Faced with a projected $7 million bill for updating the fabric of the building, the trustees decided to contest the terms of Barnes's indenture. At first, they proposed selling a few paintings. But after this misconceived plan was rightly savaged by apoplectic lovers of the collection, the trustees obtained permission instead for a travelling loan exhibition of 80 key pictures.

Having started in Washington, this extraordinary show has now reached Paris on the second leg of a three-location tour ending in Tokyo (the Royal Academy tried desperately to obtain it, but could not raise the astronomical fee requested by the Merion trustees). So the masterpieces bought by Barnes in the French capital have come home, and they testify to the prodigious, eccentric, obsessive and tireless determination of the self-made, passionately anti-racist man who amassed them.

Armed with the profits from Argyrol, his silver-based patent antiseptic, Barnes set no limits on either the quantity or the quality of the canvases he hunted down. If Argyrol soothed the throats of the sufferers who purchased it, Barnes believed that his collection would have a similarly beneficial effect on the privileged few he permitted to view it. He steadfastly believed in the paintings' tutorial function, and wanted them to be used as a teaching aid for deserving students.

But at the Musée d'Orsay they are treated above all as a visual experience. The main suite of galleries at the top of the building has been cleared of its Impressionists and Post-Impressionists. In their place, the cream of Barnes's acquisitions now reigns instead. And many of them prove greater than the hallowed canvases they have ousted.

Not that the exhibition starts in a confidence-inspiring way. Barnes's packed, multi-tiered hang at Merion has been exchanged for a disconcertingly over-spacious alternative. Some walls are even left empty, and the opening pictures of Manet and Monet look disappointingly slight.

Monet's painting of himself at work in his boat studio, floating alone on the Seine, is an untypical and oddly melancholy work. It cannot be described as a major achievement, and Manet's *Tarring the Boat* is little more than a swift, sketch-like study of fishermen applying flames to the jet-black hull of their vessel.

> 'Barnes wanted them used as a teaching aid for students'

The ensuing parade of Renoirs is far more substantial. An early *Torso* offers a welcome contrast to the pneumatic, boneless females of his later work. She is chalky and dishevelled, an urban woman unacquainted with the Mediterranean sun. Frankly exposing the hair under her arms, she lacks the idealised sweetness which makes the older Renoir often look so cloying.

A nearby canvas of a couple savouring an intimate lunch shows him at his unaffected best, and a surprising 1883 beach scene painted in Guernsey is alive with loosely brushed, feathery élan. But the full-length portrait of a boy in a sailor's suit on the beach has an almost 18th-century stiffness, and a large group of the artist's family is marred by sentimentality and staginess.

Needless to say, Barnes did not share my reservations. In 1915 he declared that Renoir was "the greatest of modern painters". But the most impressive single room in the show is devoted to the superb severity of Cézanne, whose finest work was acquired by the Maecenas of Merion with avidity. Although Barnes's enthusiasm for Cézanne sits puzzlingly with his love of Renoir, the Cézannes he collected are simply overwhelming.

Apart from the laughable oddity of *Leda and the Swan*, where a lumpy nude allows her limp hand to be pecked by a harmless pet, these pictures uphold a rigorous, elevated standard. Barnes favoured the final 20 years of Cézanne's career, and he secured a brace of the grandest images in the master's oeuvre.

The earlier of the two, his largest version of *The Card Players*, is a formidable achievement. A smaller version belonging to the Musée d'Orsay hangs beside it, and the comparison discloses just how stern and authoritative the Barnes picture really is.

Instead of two players, three statuesque men whose forms seem to have been hewn from Provençal rock dominate the scene. A blanched girl peers in at their game, as awed by the players' ceremonial grandeur as we feel. But Cézanne's brush darts across the wall behind with the utmost delicacy, and the crisp row of clay pipes lodged there could hardly be more deftly defined.

A lesser artist might have felt complacent after producing a picture with such finality, but Cézanne remained anxious and dissatisfied to the end. His great *Nudes in a Landscape*, completed only a year before he died, is a turbulent affair. Areas encrusted with heavily worked pigment bear witness to incessant cancellations and revisions. They build up the bodies of brusquely simplified women who inhabit their setting like dryads in a primordial forest. Alongside the rugged density of the flanking figures, though, the nudes in the centre are handled with freshness and lyricism. Cézanne's palette is far richer, more sensuous and varied here than in the National Gallery's austere version of the subject, and patches of untouched canvas prove that even in this thunderously charged image he knew when to stop.

With the consummate still-life compositions, a glacial portrait of his wife, and a panorama of Mont Sainte-Victoire as severe as the noblest Roman ruins in Provence, these pictures make Cézanne the hero of the show. All the same, in the very next room hangs an absolute *tour de force* by Seurat. The largest canvas on display, *Models* always looked rather grey, academic and cheerless in the black-and-white reproduction permitted by Barnes. But the myriad colours of the original captivate with their grave, dream-like tenderness.

Positioned in front of Seurat's earlier masterpiece, *the Grande Jatte*, three models stand or sit in various states of undress. They might have stepped out of the pictures behind them and disrobed, for some of the clothes and props in the foreground are akin to the accessories in the *Grande Jatte*. But there is nothing disruptive about the contrast between the well-dressed bourgeoisie behind and the bare flesh of the models in the studio. Seurat unites them all in the web of minuscule points of colour spreading across the immense canvas like a heat-haze, caressing the women's contours. By posing these models in back, profile and frontal views, Seurat might easily have produced an over-schematic image. But he avoids the danger by saturating the picture in a misty, tremulously observed sense of wonder.

Hanging on the other side of the same room, Van Gogh's heartfelt portrait of his friend Roulin, the Arles post-handler, stands out with its sad-eyed sympathy. He seems to be possessed by a resigned, mournful prescience of the artist's death only a year later. But a roomful of Matisse soon prompts us to move on. Starting with a resplendent *Blue Still Life* of 1907, which shows that he was just as much Cézanne's heir as his Cubist rivals, the paintings reach a Bacchic climax in *The Joy of Life*. Always recognised as an icon of early 20th-century painting, which established Matisse's leading role as an innovator, it still has the ability to startle.

This vast, audacious canvas was for Matisse a decisive moment of release, enabling him to cast aside the stilted strain which had marred his *Luxe, calme et volupté* a year earlier. Now he liberated both himself and, by extension, modern art as a whole. The little circle of dancers at the heart of *The Joy of Life* celebrate this freedom with Dionysian abandon, and their ecstasy mirrors our own elation in a magnificent, unrepeatable show which no lover of European painting can afford to miss.

● De Cézanne à Matisse: Chefs-d'oeuvre de la Fondation Barnes *at the Musée d'Orsay (Telephone: 40 49 48 14) until Jan 2, open 9.30-6 except Mon, 9-6 Sun, and 9.30-9.45 Thurs*



The Card Players, Cézanne's largest version of the subject, and "a formidable achievement", is one of the treasures in the collection of Albert Coombs Barnes

Figures that do not add up



WILLEM de Kooning may be one of the stars basking in the glory of the Royal Academy's exhibition of American 20th-century art, which opens next week. But in New York the grand old man is at the centre of a demeaning dispute. At issue is the authenticity of a group of bronze sculptures completed in 1987, said to be his last before age got the better of him.

His friend and fellow Abstract Expressionist Philip Pavia, who did the casting, was going about selling the artist's proofs at Christie's when de Kooning's daughter, Lisa, intervened. She claimed that they were in fact by her. The latest episode in this complex dispute between Pavia and de Kooning's trustees is a court order that de Kooning, now a frail 89, be subjected to a fingerprint test.

If it goes ahead — it is scheduled for November 1 — the results would be used to prove that de Kooning's hand was indeed responsible. "It would be a bit of a crime to take such a great artist's last work and have somebody saying it's by them," says Gail Elston, the attorney representing Pavia. "We owe it to his posterity" to establish the truth.

There is also a small matter of money. If the sculptures are deemed right, they could be worth over $3 million. If not, the price tag would be in the thousands.

● THE new auction season is opening in vibrant mood, particularly at the relatively cheap and cheerful end, following the encouraging *results announced for last* season. Christie's South Kensington notched up a 22 per cent increase for the first six months of the year, to £19.7 million, while Bonhams of Knightsbridge rose 27 per cent from July 1992 to July 1993, to £27.9 million.

However, there is also the buyers' premium. Whereas the superior gentlemen of Bond Street raised theirs to 15 per cent at the new year, Christie's SK and Bonhams stayed at ten.

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● ONE might have thought the person who bought the contents of Asil Nadir's wardrobe last month would be shouting the fact from the roof-tops in order to cash in on their notoriety and re-sell. But the mystery buyer is being fiercely protected by Edward Symmons, specialists in bankrupt sales. "Whatever he does with it is his business," said a lugubrious spokesman. Look out for anyone sporting 150 suits, 300 shirts and 700 silk ties.

SARAH JANE CHECKLAND

LONDON CONCERTS: Heavyweight orchestral pieces at the Albert Hall and 20th-century chamber music on the South Bank

Elder flowers anew

Since he parted from English National Opera **Mark Elder** is in the process of building himself a more independent career as a conductor, to which his two Proms concerts this year have no doubt contributed. The second found him generating considerable excitement from the **BBC Symphony Orchestra** in a programme not at all operatic but decidedly theatrical in much of its content and performance.

It culminated in *Taras Bulba*, Janáček's three-part orchestral rhapsody derived from Gogol's account of gruesome historical heroics. Some special sensibility is needed to find redeeming musical features in the Ukrainian Cossack who kills one of his own sons for betraying his people, sees another son tortured and executed, and is himself nailed to a tree and burnt, but the composer was able to express moments of tenderness and even nobility amid the carnage.

These were well brought out in Elder's interpretation, skilfully weaving the often exposed instrumental strands into a boldly patterned tapestry of orchestral illustration. The sudden contrasts of mood and colour, dramatically intensifying from bar to bar, were masterfully managed, the folk dances and funeral march were clearly articulated, and the E-flat clarinet's squeals of tortured pain rent the texture with vivid anguish in the middle movement, before the grandiose final apotheosis of valediction swelled out impressively.

Much of the high calibre of instrumental playing here had been anticipated in the varied solo exchanges and clarity of ensemble that invigorated the youthful First Symphony by Shostakovich to start the programme. Jaunty and eupeptic in the opening movements, turning to sombre melancholy and ultimately to assertive exuberance, its often theatrical character was keenly pointed under Elder's astute direction.

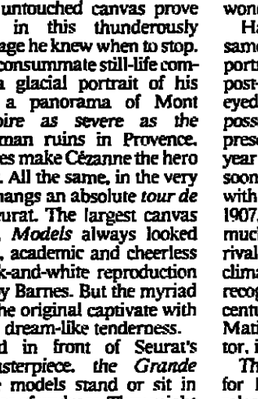
He coaxed more orchestral finesse in Beethoven's First Piano Concerto, to set against a degree of visual distraction in the body-language of the Finnish pianist **Olli Mustonen** seldom encountered at the keyboard. Such a plethora of head-wagging, leg-swinging, brow-mopping and torso-rolling, the hands chopping at the keys from a height, imparted a more romantically feverish character than this work will readily stand.

NOEL GOODWIN

Quirky but warmhearted

After spending much of the summer at the Albert Hall, it came as a shock to return to the Queen Elizabeth Hall's cold atmosphere. Swathes of empty seats hardly served to improve the ambience, but the concert, given by the **Premiere Ensemble**, was a fine one, an intelligent combination of new and not so new chamber pieces. It is hard to suggest how to make these events seem friendlier. Bathing the audience in coloured lighting might help, as it did during George Benjamin's excellent "Meltdown" festival in July.

As it happened Benjamin was the conductor here, and most of the music he directed had a conspicuous warmth. Two works were new to this country. Three of Gérald Grisey's five *Accords Perdus* for two solo horns (the excellent Richard Bissill and Peter Hatfield) demonstrated a touching purity of intent in urging us to concentrate simply on the colours of the sound. "Mouvement", the opening piece, cleverly exploited microtonal differences between the two instruments. More overtly physical were the whoops of "Cor à cor", and both players showed control at the bottom of the register in "Chute".



George Benjamin: here a conductor and composer

The Korean composer Unsuk Chin, a past student of Ligeti, offered something less spectral. Her *Seven Fairy Tales* takes seven scenes from Michael Ende's *The Endless Story* and Lewis Carroll's *Alice Through the Looking Glass* and distorts the texts by writing them backwards, arbitrarily marrying consonants and vowels. She also employs microtonal variations in tuning; the soprano (a confident Penelope Walmsley-Clark) chooses which tuning system she prefers at any moment.

Occasionally, in for instance "The Rules of the Game", Chin resurrects something of the bizarreness of Maxwell Davies's music-theatre pieces of the Sixties. She clearly possesses a remarkable ability to evoke moods, and she paints in vivid colours.

Yet she is also a deeply sensitive composer, able to balance both moment and structure. This is a substantial and charming piece. From her we will hear much more.

These works were framed by Varèse's *Octandre* — as near to charming as he gets — and Webern's Symphony, Op 21, which demanded that warmer ambience and a more relaxed and assured performance than it got here. After the interval Walmsley-Clark, with Benjamin at the piano and Daniel Pailthorpe and Sally Pendlebury playing flute and cello, gave perhaps too refined a performance of Ravel's extraordinarily modern-sounding *Chansons Madécasses*. Benjamin's own incandescently dramatic *At First Light* ended the evening in an assured poetic flourish.

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Shaftesbury, Shaftesbury Avenue, WC2 (071-379 5399), 7.30pm

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A SLICE OF SATURDAY NIGHT Dennis Waterman plays the seen-it-all, done-it-all bouncer in the Heather *Brothers' musical pastiche of life and* songs in the 1960s.
Strand Theatre, Strand, WC2 (071-240 0300) Today, tomorrow, 4pm and 8pm

PROMS: An all-English programme is offered for this penultimate night. London Baroque under Charles Medlam is joined by the Choir of King's College, Cambridge, to perform Catholic church music by Byrd. The programme continues with Handel's Concerto Grosso in G minor and Purcell's "Come, ye sons of art, away". The final night, tomorrow, offers the traditional celebratory end to the

WEEKEND CHOICE

A daily guide to arts and entertainment compiled by Marit Hargie

season's proceedings.
Albert Hall, Kensington Gore, SW7 (071-589 8212) Tonight and tomorrow, 7.30pm 🅂

MADAM BUTTERFLY: The Royal *Opera's season gets underway with* Richard Gregson's new staging of Puccini's opera, using designs by Sophie Fedorovitch which have not been seen at Covent Garden for a *decade*. Diana Soviero sings the title role; Neil Schicoff is Pinkerton. Carlo Rizzi conducts.
Royal Opera House, Covent Garden, London WC2 (071-240 1066/1911). *Tomorrow, 7pm* 🅂

ELSEWHERE

BIRMINGHAM: Damian Lewis and Josette Bushell-Mingo play the title roles in **Romeo and Juliet**. Mona Hammond and Michael Cashman are also in the cast.
Repertory Theatre, Centenary Square (021 236 4455). Previews from tonight, 7.30pm. Opens Mon, 7.30pm. Then Mon-Sat, 7.30pm. 🅂

GLASGOW: The autumn season begins with Jakob Lenz's **The Soldiers**, a drama of military thuggery.
Citizens' Theatre, Gorbals (041-429 0022). 7.30pm 🅂

MOLD: An RSC revival of its successful **Les Liaisons Dangereuses** begins a three-month national tour.
Theatr Clwyd, (0352 755114) Previews from tonight, 7.30pm 🅂

CARDIFF: Donizetti's bel canto tragedy, **Lucia di Lammermoor**, opens *the season at Welsh National Opera*. Janice Watson sings Scott's doomed heroine; Martin Thompson is Edgardo. Julian Smith conducts. The director is Renne Wright.
New Theatre, *Park Place*, (0222 394844). Tonight, 7.15pm 🅂

MANCHESTER: The exhibition **From View to Vision**, the Whitworth Art Gallery's contribution to the Year of the Watercolour, is a selection from its own collection from 1750 to 1850. The progression from topographical record to visionary evocation is illustrated in an extraordinary succession of masterpieces
Whitworth Art Gallery, University of Manchester, Oxford Road, (061-273 4865) Mon-Sat, 10am-5pm (Thurs to 9pm). 🅂

THEATRE GUIDE

Jeremy Kingston's assessment of theatre showing in London

■ House full, returns only
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☐ **ARCADIA:** Tom Stoppard in sparkling form brings together love, chaos theory and much else.
National (Lyttelton), South Bank, SE1 (071-928 2252) Tonight-next Wed, 7.30pm, mats today, tomorrow, Wed, 2.15pm. 130mins 🅂

◩ *CITY OF ANGELS:* Top quality Larry Gelbart/Cy Coleman musical, packed with wit, set in LA.
Prince of Wales, Coventry Street, W1 (071-839 5972) Mon-Sat, 7.30pm, mats Wed, Sat, 2.30pm. 160mins

■ **GREASE:** Energetic, well-danced revival taking a nostalgic look at the innocent 1950s
Dominion, Tottenham Court Road, W1 (071-580 8845). Mon-Sat, 7.30pm, mats Wed and Sat, 3pm. 150mins

☐ **IN THE SUMMER HOUSE:** Jane Bowles' only play, about the torments, loves, or both, of women. With Rosemary Harris
Lyric, King Street, Hammersmith W6 (081 741 2311) Mon-Sat, 7.45, mats Wed 2.30pm and Sat, 4pm 🅂

☐ **LYSISTRATA:** Geraldine James *inspires the women of Athens to deny* their men the joys of sex.
Wyndham's, Charing Cross Road, WC2 (071-867 1116) Mon-Sat, 8pm, mats Thurs, 3pm and Sat, 5pm.

MURMURING JUDGES. Second play concerning the Law, of David Hare's trilogy
National Theatre (Olivier), South Bank, SE1 (071 928 2252) Previews tonight-Mon, 7.15pm, mat tomorrow, 2pm

☐ **MUCH ADO ABOUT NOTHING:** Shakespeare on Shaftesbury Avenue, with Mark Rylance and Janet McTeer. Funny and friendly production.
Queen's, Shaftesbury Avenue, W1 (071-494 5041). Mon-Sat, 7.30pm, mat Sat, 2.30pm. 165mins

☐ **PRESENT LAUGHTER:** Tom Conti *is seriously off-target in the Noël* Coward role.
Globe, Shaftesbury Avenue, W1 (071-494 5065). Tue-Sat, 7.45pm, mats Thurs and Sat, 3pm. 150mins

☐ *ROMEO AND JULIET:* So-so performance in Judi Dench's production. Decent crowd scenes.
Open Air, Regent's Park, NW1 (071-486 2431) Tomorrow, 2.30pm, 8pm. 🅂

☐ **SEPARATE TABLES:** Peter Bowles, Patricia Hodge in revival of Rattigan.
Albery, St Martin's Lane, WC2 (071-867 1115) Tue-Sat, 8pm, mats Thurs, *3pm and Sat, 4pm. 150mins.* 🅂

■ **SUNSET BOULEVARD:** Triumph for Patti Lupone as the faded star in Lloyd Webber's success. Trevor Nunn directs.
Adelphi Theatre, Strand, WC2 (071-344 0055). Mon-Sat, 8pm, mats Thurs and Sats, 3pm.

■ **SWEENEY TODD:** Declan Donnellan's superb staging of Sondheim's subtle, savage musical.
National (Cottesloe), South Bank, SE1 (071-928 2252) Tomorrow, 2pm and 7.30pm. 180mins 🅂

☐ **THE TAMING OF THE SHREW:** Galumphing version of this politically incorrect, so-called comedy.

Open Air, Regent's Park, NW1 (071-486 2431). Tonight, 8pm. 🅂

☐ *TIME OF MY LIFE:* One of Ayckbourn's best family plays. With Anton Rodgers, Gwen Taylor
Vaudeville, Strand, WC2 (071-836 9987) Mon-Fri, 7.45pm, Sat, 8pm, mats Weds 2.30pm, Sats 4pm.

TRAVESTIES: Tom Stoppard's dazzling word-spinner revived with Antony Sher as the aged consul remembering Lenin, Joyce and Dada in 1917 Zurich. Adrian Noble directs
Barbican, Silk Street, EC2 (071 638 8891) Previews tonight-Wed, 7.15pm, mat tomorrow, 2pm. Opens Thurs, 7pm

WALLENSTEIN: Tim Albery's directing debut for the RSC in Schiller's mighty drama. Starring Ken Bones.
The Pit, Barbican Centre, EC2 (071 638 8891) Previews tonight-Tues, 7.15pm. Opens Wed, 7pm.

LONG RUNNERS: ☐ **Blood Brothers**, Phoenix (071-867 1044) ◩ **Buddy**: Victoria Palace (071-834 1317) . . ◩ **Cats**: New London (071-405 0072) . . . ☐ **Don't Dress for Dinner**: Duchess (071-494 5070) **Guys Named Moe**: Lyric (071-494 5045) . . ◩ **Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat**: Palladium (071-494 5037) . . . ◩ **Les Misérables**: Palace (071-434 0909) . ◩ **Miss Saigon**: Theatre Royal, Drury Lane (071-494 5400) . . . ☐ **The Mousetrap**: St Martin's (071-836 1443) . . ☐ **On The Piste**, Garrick (071-494 5085) ■ **The Phantom of the Opera**: Her Majesty's (071-494 5400) . . ◩ **Starlight Express**: Apollo Victoria (071-828 8665) . ☐ **Travels With My Aunt**: Whitehall (071-867 1119) ☐ **The Woman in Black**: Fortune (071-836 2238)

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NEW RELEASES

ANCHORESS: More a photographer's exhibit about medieval life than a movie; but a promising feature debut from Britain's Chris Newby
Everyman 🅂 (071-435 1525)

THE FIRM (15): Tom Cruise discovers his law firm fronts for the Mafia. Star power galore, but little meat. With Gene Hackman, Ed Harris. Sydney Pollack directs.
Empire 🅂 (071-497 9999)

THE LIE (15). Refreshing, straightforward French drama about facing up to Aids. François Margolin directs Nathalie Baye and Didier Sandre
MGM Swiss Centre (071-439 4470) **MGM Tottenham Court Road** (071-636 6148) **MGM Trocadero** 🅂 (071-434 0031)

A PLACE IN THE WORLD (12): Incidents in the life of an Argentine family in the hinterlands. Good looking but flabby. Director, Adolfo Aristarain
Metro (071-437 0757)

CURRENT

APRES L'AMOUR (15). French love *tangles, carefully unravelled by director* Diane Kurys and an excellent cast. Isabelle Huppert, Hypolite Girardot, Bernard Giraudeau.
Curzon Mayfair (071-465 8865).

BLUE. Derek Jarman's extraordinary reverie on Aids, blindness and the colour blue. Unlike any film in history.
MGM Panton Street (071-930 0631)

◆ **UN COEUR EN HIVER** (12): Love, sly games and damaged friendships between two instrument makers and a young violinist. Wonderfully observant, delicate drama from Claude Sautet. With Daniel Auteuil, Emmanuelle Béart, André Dussollier
MGM Swiss Centre (071-439 4470).

CINEMA GUIDE

Geoff Brown's assessment of films in London and (where indicated with the symbol ◆) on release across the country

ERASERHEAD (18): David Lynch's first film, completed in 1978, an extraordinary dream fantasy about love and sexuality. Revived with an improved soundtrack.
MGM Piccadilly (071-437 3561)

◆ **IN THE LINE OF FIRE** (15): Secret Service agent Clint Eastwood fights John Malkovich's psychopath and his own guilt. Sturdy thriller, directed by Wolfgang Petersen.
Barbican 🅂 (071-638 8891) **Camden Plaza** (071-485 2443) **MGM Chelsea** (071-352 5096) **Notting Hill Coronet** 🅂 (071-727 6705) **Odeons: Kensington** (0426 914666) **Leicester Square** (0426-915 683) **Marble Arch** (0426 914501) **Swiss Cottage** (071-586 3057) **Screen on Baker Street** (071-935 2772) **Screen on the Green** (071-226 3520) **UCI Whiteleys** 🅂 (071-792 3332)

◆ **JURASSIC PARK** (PG). Michael Crichton's best seller becomes a clumsy vehicle for rampaging dinos and superior special effects. Director, Steven Spielberg.
Empire 🅂 (071-437 1234/497 9999) **MGM Baker Street** (071-935 9772) **MGM Fulham Road** 🅂 (071-370 2636) **MGM Oxford Street** (071-636 0310) **MGM Trocadero** 🅂 **Plaza** (071-437 1234/497 9999) **UCI Whiteleys** 🅂 (071-792 3332).

◆ **MUCH ADO ABOUT NOTHING** (PG): Fast-food Shakespeare from Kenneth Branagh, with rollicking actors, clearly-spoken verse, but little film finesse.
Barbican 🅂 (071-638 8891) **Chelsea** (071-351 3742/3743) **Empire** (071-437 1234/497 9999) **Gate** 🅂 (071-727 4043) **MGM Fulham Road** (071-370 2636) **MGM Shaftesbury Avenue** (071-836 6279) **MGM Tottenham Court Road** (071-636 6148) **Plaza** (071-497 9999) **Screen on Baker Street** (071-935 2772) **Screen on the Hill** 🅂 (071-435 3366) **UCI Whiteleys** 🅂 (071-792 3332).

◆ **PASSION FISH** (15): Crippled soap star and her secretive nurse undergo rehabilitation. Enjoyable, loving, leisurely film from John Sayles
Curzon West End (071-439 4805) **Electric** 🅂 (071-792 2020/0328) **MGM Chelsea** (071-352 5096) **MGM Trocadero** (071-434 0031) **Odeons: Kensington** (0426-914 666) **Swiss Cottage** (071-586 3057).

LE SAMOURAI (PG): Downfall of an icy hired killer (Alain Delon). Jean-Pierre Melville's superb, stylised gangster drama of 1967
Lumière (071-836 0691).

◆ **SLIVER** (18): Murder and voyeurism in a New York skyscraper. Botched erotic thriller from Ira Levin's novel
MGM Fulham Road 🅂 (071-370 2636) **MGM Oxford Street** (071-636 0310) **MGM Trocadero** 🅂 (071-434 0031) **Plaza** 🅂 (071-497 9999) **UCI Whiteleys** 🅂 (071-792 3332)

THEATRE: New plays receiving their premieres in London and Birmingham

Bad breaks come right on cue


DONALD COOPER

Unable to pool their resources? Reece Dinsdale (left) and David Horovitch, nephew and uncle in *A Going Concern* at Hampstead

A Going Concern
Hampstead

STEPHEN Jeffreys writes a well-made play, and that's worth celebrating if anything is. All the participants in the generation war being fought within a family firm making billiard tables are given a wicked spanner to throw the firm's future into doubt, or a timely lever to give it a *lease of life*.

Seventy-five-year-old Chapel (Henry Stamper), son of the founder of the firm and deemed to be out of touch, is fired by his eldest son (David Horovitch). But Chapel has been in the business long enough to be armed, metaphorically, with both spanner and lever. Younger son Gordon (David Killick) has schemed for his father's downfall but finds himself facing a similar *assault from* Tony (Reece Dinsdale), his own son, itching to revitalise the firm. For too long the main work has been re-covering the bar-billiards tables they have installed in 527 London pubs — the year is 1966 — but there is something new-fangled called pool which might prove a threat.

Jeffreys has based his play on the predicament of his own family's firm, makers of billiard tables from 1870 to 1988, when the business finally closed, having failed to foresee the pool revolution.

The twists of his plot bring all the players into the game, from grandfather to grandsons, plus two outsiders — the laddish fireman (Shaun Prendergast) moonlighting for the extra dosh, and the clear-headed Vicky (Samantha Holland), daughter of the firm's far too indulgent accountant. They each have their scene in which to show themsleves cleverer, or deeper, than we had suspected. Some even have that hallmark of the well-made play, an exit line.

And a grand thing too. There was a fashion at one time, on television and in the theatre, for boardroom drama where the outcome of a power struggle, *chin jutting against chin*, was decided by a last-minute switch of votes. The same excitement is present here when the battle between fathers and sons is to be decided by the morose Barry (James Clyde, excellent), whose heart has already turned away from the firm.

What Jeffreys gives us, and what Matthew Lloyd's totally convincing cast conveys, is the very feel of a small *firm irreversibly growing smaller*. Killick and Horovitch, physically similar enough to persuade us they are indeed brothers, represent fussiness *and docility, qualities that enable a* firm to get by, as one of the characters observes, but useless for helping it to get ahead. Bitterness will follow the *necessary decisions to break the family* so as to make a business. "It could have been done better," says the third grandson David (Adam Godley), a college *student who is presumably* something of a Jeffreys self-portrait. Patronised for being a mechanical jackass, even he is given his moment of glory.

In the general concern for suspense some of the reversals are not clearly enough motivated. But the integration of Vicky into the story is ingeniously done, combining love interest, plot development and a neat ending with a lively reminder, in Holland's performance, of how bright young women in the Sixties were finding the resolve to enter a male-dominated world.

JEREMY KINGSTON

Didn't she ramble

Bertie
Alexandra, Birmingham

VARIETY acts are back, this time in a musical about music-hall. *Bertie* is a portrait of Vesta Tilley (played by Anita Harris), an immensely popular male impersonator famed for her song "Burlington Bertie".

Everybody gets a look-in, though, from Scott Joplin as pianist to Tilley in America, and Charlie Chaplin biffing her husband-to-be in her dressing rooms at Drury Lane. The element of fantasy in this account of Tilley's life *may leave you historically misin*formed, but it is fun. Little Tich is sitting down to supper while Cinquevalli the Juggler is spinning cutlery at the table and Mesmer the Magician is levitating his plate during grace.

Fathead, the performing dog, takes the biscuit by behaving simply terrierbly. He scoots off-stage or stares doggedly into the wings when Harry Ball, his master, is talking to him. Ron Moody, who plays Ball (Tilley's father *and a comedian in* his own right), copes wonderfully with acting alongside a mutt. He took first night disasters in *his stride, ad-libbing hilariously as he* nipped off-stage in pursuit of missing props. He seemed more shaky with the actual script; but the book and lyrics by Harris's husband Mike Margolis are *not* memorable.

Kenny Clayton's score playfully ranges across styles from the silly pratfall hooters of circus to ragtime jazz. There is some appalling slushiness and few catchy tunes, but there is plenty of rousing timpani and Harris sings Tilley's solos with panache and unashamed showy sentimentality.

Her Tilley is too sweet to be interesting and the plot's little bursts of profundity — Tilley's thespian Angst or grief at being financially manhandled by her father and her husband, Walter de Frece — come out melodramatically. It is a shame that this piece, which considers the patriarchy in Tilley's private life, hardly deals with her impersonations of men on stage.

Saul Radomsky's set and David Blight's costumes are splendid. The rehearsal scenes for *Robinson Crusoe* allow Blight to go wild, with a panto dame in a hula-hula bustle, child *prodigies stewing in cauldrons* wearing vegetable outfits; and a witch-doctor looking like a haystack.

The show, directed by Stephen Tate, is way too long at three-and-three-quarter hours and the biography of Tilley is little more than a bunch of snippets interspersed with tenuously related numbers. Nevertheless, Gay Soper is superb as Marie Lloyd, Britain's raunchy, rude precursor to Mae West. Paul Sharma, playing Joplin, is a breathtaking tapdancer: not many people can look slinky in spats. Routines such as theirs bring vaudeville back to life with wit and fizz.

KATE BASSETT

ROCK: Louise Gray

Good, not bad, all right

Tony Toni Tone
Forum, NW5

HAILED as the new voice of soul music, the Californian Tonies specialise in a sound that slithers between funk, swing-beat and go-go. The spirits of Sly Stone, Stevie Wonder and the Tower of Power all hang audibly above their mixes.

Given today's insatiable appetite for regressive, if classic soul — see Jamiroquai's current success — it was surprising that the audience was not *seething like a volcanic mass*. A balcony view afforded a few ripples amongst the heads below and a few spirited roars, but little more.

Certainly there is little wrong with either their songs or musicianship. In a set that lasted nearly two hours, lead vocalist Timothy Riley — a slight figure *possessed of Hercu*lean energy — turned a voice honed by gospel training to *numerous moods.* Guitarist and cousin D'wayne and Raphael Wiggins were suitably slinky, while sheer muscle — and herein the problem — was supplied by an imported rhythm and brass crew.

With a sound system that favoured such chunky rhythms over the subtle *harmonising of the* Tonies, it was inevitable that brass-led songs such as "Ex-girlfriend" or "Blues" succeeded while smoochy numbers such as "Keep It Myself" and "Whatever You Want" got lost in a haphazard mix.

The complex elements that make up the band's third and latest album, *Sons of Soul*, were, if not inaudible, at least confused. This was not entirely to their detriment: "Southern Cal" — a rambling home-sweet-home song — gained a hazy and wistful air as a result.

The high points were the loudest. Ray Brown and Gerald Albright played some virtuoso brass solos. "Gangsta Groove" imported — lock, *stock and barrel — Sly Stone's* "Dance to the Music" chorus. With the southpaw Raphael Wiggins punching out bass lines, "Groove" very nearly provoked an outbreak of dancing.

It was not to be. Ten minutes into an overlong rendition of their current single, "If I Had No Loot," the crowd were ready for their Horlicks. The Tonies sent them on their way with "Anniversary", which seemed a fitting end.

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ROCK ON FRIDAY: New tunes from an old Squeezebox . . . Nirvana bounce back . . . Prince leaves London reeling

Crafted in old-fashioned style

Fine songwriting is what has kept Squeeze in business but never in vogue, says Paul Sexton



The 1993 version of Squeeze, with songwriting partners Chris Difford and Glenn Tilbrook (third and fourth from left) the only survivors from the original band

From deep in southeast London comes reassuring news. Not all thirty-something rock musicians who were recording in the Seventies have turned into bloated tax exiles, failed actors or the sundry other self-parodies on offer. Not as long as Squeeze are around.

The band have now been smuggling delicious supplies of melodic contraband into the Top 40 for 15 years. In 1978 it was "Take Me I'm Yours" that stole a small piece of the action from Boney M, the Bee Gees, and Brian and Michael. A few weeks ago, for a mere seven days, the equally contagious "Third Rail" showed in the 40 alongside singles by Roxette and Dannii Minogue. The song, like previous "turntable hits", may have performed modestly, but still brought some reassurance that old-fashioned musical values have not lost the fight with the synthesizer and the cover version.

"When I heard we'd made the Top 40 again it made me feel good, surprisingly enough. It gets you noticed again," says Chris Difford, who with fellow writer Glenn Tilbrook has steered Squeeze through some distinctly unsympathetic musical waters. Now, as they celebrate two decades of friendship, they have the added vindication of seeing the group re-sign to A&M, the label that released all of their output until 1989, and deliver one of their strongest ever albums in *Some Fantastic Place*, released on Monday.

It may be 14 years since their bestselling single, the wideboy beat classic "Cool For Cats", but Difford and Tilbrook continue to display an unerring sensibility for melodic pop and now head up a group given new depth by the return of Paul Carrack (once of Ace, still of Mike and the Mechanics and perhaps Britain's most underrated vocalist) on keyboards and Elvis Costello's longtime drummer Pete Thomas, with bassist Keith Wilkinson showing songwriting prowess on one number, "True Colours".

Another, "Cold Shoulder", shows that Squeeze are still the voice of the romantically inept. "My head was stuck in the catflap on the door/Where I could see her walking on the kitchen floor", sings Tilbrook. "I kicked and swore, void of all brain/I couldn't see that I was the one to blame." The image of domestic suburban strife rings as true as their 1979 tale of lost love on Clapham Common, "Up The Junction".

Squeeze's songs are peopled by characters who are constantly fumbling for their metaphorical keys, romantic losers, usually males who have misjudged or mistreated their partners. Tilbrook says that you only have to look at Difford to see why they write about men who are a domestic disaster area. "I'm always on my knees, in the wrong," admits Difford. "I can't do anything right. I put a plate in the dishwasher and it's the wrong way round. I put boot polish on and then I bend over to change the baby's nappy . . . boot polish all over the floor."

With such a thoroughly British perspective, perhaps it is surprising that Squeeze maintain such an affectionate international following. It is because they sing about situations that the audience feel could happen to them, with tunes they are intimate with after two plays. But Tilbrook rightly says that, touching as their fans' loyalty is, the last thing the group needs is to be patronised. "There is a lot of affection for us, but I don't want that to become the sole criterion on which we're judged. It's important for the band to be judged on what it's doing now."

Tonight Squeeze play in Oxford on the third night of a 27-date British tour which will take in the Albert Hall on October 7. The support artist is another song craftsman, Nick Heyward, the former frontman with Haircut 100. To see Squeeze live is to witness the ultimate large-scale pub band. This is not to diminish their consummate musicianship, but they have built up a portfolio of perfect singalong pop vignettes, from such early songs as "Goodbye Girl" and the aforementioned brace of No 2 hits, "Cool For Cats" and "Up The Junction", through mid-period pieces such as "Is That Love" and "Tempted" to the more recent "Hourglass" and "If It's Love".

Difford and Tilbrook, handed the dead weight of the "new Lennon and McCartney" tag in their early days, have now lasted more than twice as long as a songwriting partnership as the Fab Two. Tilbrook recounts their meeting after Difford placed an ad for musicians for a new band — not, as rock folklore dictates, in the back pages of *Melody Maker* but in the local sweet-shop window.

"The influences he mentioned were Velvet Underground, the Kinks and Glenn Miller, which I thought was intriguing. I was the only one who replied, and of course there was no band. We managed three gigs over the next two years. We spent all that time writing."

A fruitless spell at RCA Records followed, with producer Muff Winwood apparently instructed, says Tilbrook, "to make us sound as much like the Bay City Rollers as possible". RCA released nothing from the sessions, but did release Squeeze, so they resorted to their own Deptford Fun City label for the "Packet Of Three" EP before being snapped up by A&M, the label's first "new wave" signing since getting its corporate fingers seriously singed by the Sex Pistols.

Thirteen albums down the line, after umpteen line-up changes and even a temporary disbanding of the group in 1982, the spirit of Squeeze is intact, and as always, at one remove from the voguishness of the current music scene.

Like a purple tornado

Prince redefines the term flying visit with three London shows in 17 hours

Confirming his reputation as a roadie's worst nightmare, Prince played three gigs within 17 hours in London last Tuesday — and left a trail of mixed emotions in his wake.

At lunchtime girls stood weeping on the pavement outside Broadcasting House in the West End. And they were the ones who had got in to see the diminutive superstar and his nine-piece band the New Power Generation play an impromptu set in the 250-capacity, art-deco Concert Hall, normally reserved for classical music concerts.

The 25-minute selection of songs — including "1999", "Baby, I'm A Star", "America", "DMSR", "Peach" and "Pope" — was broadcast live on the BBC Radio 1 show of Simon Bates, for whom the appearance was a significant coup.

Meanwhile, Capital Radio, which has sponsored all Prince's Wembley shows without being invited to broadcast so much as a note, put a brave face on things. "We're very happy with our relationship with Prince," a Capital spokeswoman said, with commendable sang-froid. "He's always fulfilled his obligations to us."

After completing the evening's show at the 12,000-capacity Wembley Arena — not the stadium as many people, including the London listings magazine Time Out had assumed — Prince's next port of call was Bagleys Warehouse in Kings Cross where 2,000 tickets had been sold for an end of tour "party". Unfortunately the club, already jammed to capacity, was divided into separate rooms, and an ugly scene developed as a fearful crush of people attempted to get into the area where Prince was scheduled to perform.



Prince: Now the hardest worker in showbusiness?

Kate Moss and actress Miranda Richardson were among the celebrities who fled before Prince even arrived, although Linford Christie and various members of EMF were apparently made of sterner stuff.

Prince and his visibly wilting band eventually came on stage at 3am. Joined by Mavis Staples and gospel harmony group the Steeles, they performed with just one break until 5.15am. By 11am, Wednesday morning, the entourage was on a flight back to America.

And to think they used to call James Brown the hardest working man in showbusiness.

DAVID SINCLAIR

Never mind Nevermind

RECORDS: **David Sinclair** on Nirvana's demonstration of their artistic integrity



Nirvana's Kurt Cobain (centre): "too gifted to lose the plot"

NIRVANA
In Utero
(Geffen GEF 24536)

NO ALBUM in recent memory has sparked more feverish speculation than Nirvana's follow-up to the groundbreaking *Nevermind*. Rumours that *In Utero* (previous working title: *I Hate Myself And I Want To Die*) was a self-indulgent disaster, and that the group's record company, Geffen, had insisted on modifications before they would release it, seem to have hinged on the presence of Steve Albini in the producer's chair.

The former supremo of notorious hardcore acts Big Black and Rapeman, Albini is a sonic extremist with a knack for bringing out the most primeval qualities in his clients' music. For Nirvana — embarrassed by the commercial success of *Nevermind*, and sensitive to any suggestion that they might bow to record company pressure to come up with *Nevermind II* — the hiring of Albini with a view to roughening up their sound became a point of honour.

Not surprisingly, *In Utero* is indeed a good deal harsher and more abrasive than *Nevermind*, but it is no disaster: quite the reverse. Tracks such as "Scentless Apprentice" and the ironically titled "Radio Friendly Unit Shifter" threw down the gauntlet with their pounding drums, death-shriek vocals and exhilarating bouts of wailing, cacophonous feedback. And "Milk It" is a colossally moody rant, with Kurt Cobain sounding like a man left in a cave to die.

But while the appeal of these songs is hardly conventional, Nirvana have already redefined what counts as "commercial" once, and with material as good as this they could well do it all over again.

Other numbers such as "Dumb", "All Apologies" and "Frances Farmer" have an attractive, almost sing-song quality about them. True, "Rape Me" — the closest relation to *Nevermind*'s anthem "Smells Like Teen Spirit" — is not destined to pick up saturation radio play despite its undoubted melodic appeal. On the other hand, "Heart-Shaped Box" is already a Top 5 hit.

The 26-year-old Cobain is simply too gifted a singer and songwriter to lose the plot this early in the game, and Albini's hyper-aggressive production actually enhances the lazy elegance of the Beatles-influenced "Serve the Servants" and high-tension rockers such as "Very Ape" and "Penny Royal Tea".

Simultaneously intelligent and brutal, *In Utero* suggests that Nirvana may be the defining rock act of the mid-Nineties.

MARIAH CAREY
Music Box
(Columbia 474270)

WITH a voice that slices through the mix like a laser beam, lyrics that assail the emotional tastebuds like an oozing dollop of clotted cream and songs that veer from slick swingbeat to soggy soul, Mariah Carey has evolved a formula that is not so much winning as overwhelming.

The latest instalment in a career so flawlessly successful that it seems to have been guided by some higher being, *Music Box* is an immaculately landscaped album of depressingly tame material. There are occasional modern touches, notably "Now That I Know" and "I've Been Thinking About You", both co-written and produced by the hotshot Clivilles and Cole duo. But a lifeless rerun of the old Nilsson tearjerker "Without You" — all strings and sincerity — is a more accurate reflection of the overall tone.

If soul music was required to conform to EC quality guidelines it would sound something like this.

AIMEE MANN
Whatever
(Imago 72787 21017)

FORMERLY the singer and bass player with American group 'Til Tuesday, Aimee Mann is a pop songwriter who has come up through the school of hard knocks with her strikingly blonde head held high.

"I don't know what else you hear/But it's not me weeping" she sings defiantly on "I Should've Known", the opening track on her solo debut and a single which richly deserved to be a much bigger hit than it was.

With a voice that can shift from sensuous warmth to frosty cool in a way that's sometimes redolent of Chrissie Hynde, Mann embraces dark and brittle emotions in songs which range from the harmony rock of "Fifty Years After The Fair" (featuring the patented Rickenbacker guitar jangle and adenoidal vocals of Roger McGuinn), to the delicate acoustic guitar and New Orleans marching band arrangement of "Jacob Marley's Chain".

The best songs are mostly bunched up in the first half, and the album tends to sag towards the end. But the sweet and sour flavour lingers on.

BEE GEES
Size Isn't Everything
(Polydor 519945)

EVEN the awesomely naff title fails to pave the way for songs such as "Decadence" ("She's juicy and she's trouble/She gets it to me good"), "Omega Man" ("I'm an over-eager man") and "Kiss Of Life" ("I've never given anybody my soul/But I'm coming undone").

An album with all the charm of cheap after-shave, it even boasts a maudlin salute to the children of the former Yugoslavia, which incorporates the observation "There but for the grace of God go I".

The Bee Gees have been laughing all the way to the bank since they discovered white suits and how to sing like Pinky and Perky. But this has gone beyond a joke.

TOP TEN ALBUMS

1	New Bat Out Of Hell II	Meat Loaf (Epic)
2	New Wild Wood	Paul Weller (Go! Discs)
3	Music Box	Mariah Carey (Columbia)
4	Promises And Lies	UB40 (DEP International)
5	New Post Historic Monsters	Carter USM (Chrysalis)
6	Pocket Full Of Kryptonite	Spin Doctors (Epic)
7	River Of Dreams	Billy Joel (Columbia)
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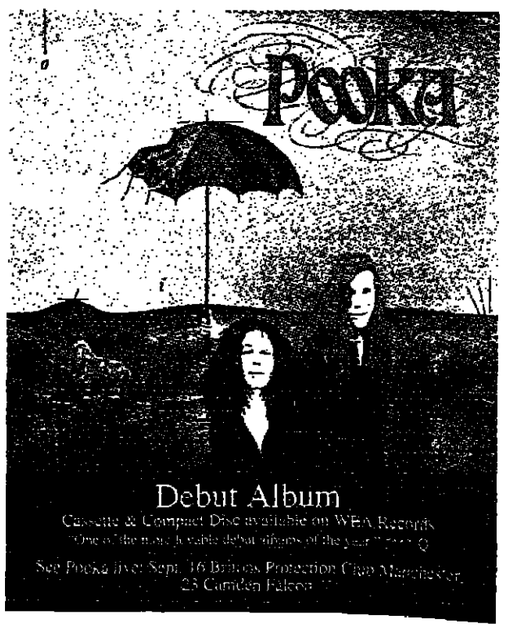
The last woman to make a big splash in the jazz fusion field was Patrice Rushen in the early Eighties. Since then, there has not been much more than flautist Bobbi Humphry and Gail Anne Dorsey.

Me'Shell NdegeOcello, however, is very much a woman of the Nineties. Her name, part child-of-nature cute, part Swahili, demonstrates that fact, even before we listen to the music. Signed to Madonna's Maverick label, she is a multi-instrumentalist and rapper who delivers Afrocentric beatnik lyrics and Curtis Mayfield references with a casual aplomb that her boss may learn to envy.

The customary take on hip-hop and jazz is that the fusion is not so much fused as inflated from the perfunctory borrowing of a few sample loops purloined from the great vinyl archive of jazz history. On compact discs, acts such as The Pharcyde and Me'Shell are digging deeper. The only question about their explorations concerns how far they can go live, since this is where jazz should expand, rather than shrivel in the depressing manner of live rap.

On the spot observers of Me'Shell's performances at small New York clubs have reported bohemian outbreaks of poetry reading alongside dynamic work from the future star herself on vocals, bass, piano and guitar. She can also write a potential hit. After Wynton Marsalis and his stifling curatorial strictness, the expansive, rough and ready retro-futurism of Me'Shell's debut album, *Plantation Lullabies*, feels like a wind of change.

DAVID TOOP



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Champion's prowess fails to bowl them over in Tolworth

To out-perform all others at a given sport is uplifting; to do so in one that is played by four and a half million fellow citizens is especially impressive. But to be the British, European and world champion and remain able to walk down the street, go into supermarkets, stand in a bus queue without receiving a flicker of recognition from anyone must have about it an element of disappointment.

Mrs Pauline Smith, when I met her to discuss these achievements, said she was undisappointed. She lives in Tolworth, is tall, fair haired, handsome — a veritably fine figure of a woman. If you had to guess her occupation, you might plump for owner of a driving school.

Wrong. Let me give you a clue: when she travels, which she does frequently, she takes as hand luggage three heavy duty canvas bags each containing two 16lb urethane spheres, total value £1,000.

We sat at a coffee table by the bar of the Tolworth Bowl, where Smith practises three days a week. The bowl is on the south side of the A3 at the junction of the A240: coming from London it is the road before the one you take to get to Epsom on Derby day.

In the 1930s and 1940s such a building would have been an Odeon cinema: after that a bingo hall. In fact it is an upmarket, well-run, handsomely tended 32-lane tenpin bowling alley and Mrs Smith is the winningest bowler of them all.

Next week when the AMF Tennents British Open is held at the 48-lane City Bowl in Nottingham she is favourite to retain her title and win another £1,000. Tenpin is not only a sport that does not make people famous: it does not make them rich either. "Taking into account the entry fee, travel and accommodation for two nights, unless you finish a tournament in the top three you are out of pocket."

In Europe tenpin is an amateur sport. In the Unites States there are professionals in almost every state; men and women play in leagues that are sponsored by breweries and leisurewear companies, appear on late-night television. Anyone waking in a US hotel at 3am (which is British breakfast time) must have seen chunky-looking people roll huge balls immaculately down shiny lanes while the commentator tells of their impressive season's and lifetime winnings. (Upon reflection what one sees might always be the same game of tenpin, put out for insomniacs the way we have Test Card.)



FREUD ON FRIDAY

In the beginning, tenpin was played with hard rubber balls, made of the sort of stuff you find on canteen tables. In the 1970s they switched to polyester, then to urethane and recently to a better kind of urethane: a urethane-plus which, Exocet-like, explodes on impact. The new state-of-the-art balls are capable of taking side spin which does not manifest itself until the ball ends its skid on the first part of the lane, the part which is protected by conditioning oil: then it grips as it approaches the pins.

As high-tech self-adjusting pins and computerised scoring was introduced, younger people flocked into the game and overall accuracy increased; like shooting, darts and other "aim-sports", winning scores got closer to the maximum and the champions were those able to combine perfect aim with match-play temperament and absence of yips.

The pro shop caters for all classes of player, recommends serious beginners to purchase the Powerball "constructed with a reliable three-piece configuration armed with an aggressive dull blue cover, offering a consistent skid, roll and hook action frame after frame. The snack bar sells chicken nuggets, benign, with a startlingly crisp cover offering a consistently dull taste time after time.

I ask about tenpin hooliganism. This does not exist. Tenpin attracts families, provides special lanes and lighter balls — also video games and cheeseburgers — for children, many of whom in the Tolworth Bowl were also practising karate on each other while they awaited their turns to play. Nice, natural family atmosphere is what you see and they tell you that there are no drunks or junkies.

This is a growing sport. The number of venues has trebled in the last eight years; competitions take place every weekend, pensioners block book arenas in the mornings and there's bowling for the disabled and the blind.

Moreover, a sure sign of success, bowling leagues and associations have fallen out with each other. In Ulster the Tenpin Bowling Association of Northern Ireland does not speak to the Northern Ireland Tenpin Bowling Association: in Scotland SPBA and Team Scotland vie for recognition. It is all a bit like the organisations who run world title boxing.

I ask Smith about her life. It revolves around tenpin bowling.

Husband?

I had one, now I have a replacement.

Children?

Two; a boy and a girl, both under ten, both play; her husband played, the replacement plays.

I toy with Smith's 16lb AMF Ninja Attack ball "so powerful it can only be described as whiplash". The finger holes are too small for my fingers to get the ball ready for the in-line pendulum swing, so we agree to play on another occasion. Like chess it seems largely a game of luck.

RFU will use its hit squad to check transfers

By David Hands
Rugby Correspondent

WITHIN a month, the Rugby Football Union (RFU) will debate whether to make mandatory the statement of compliance sent to every affiliated club this season. The statement requires written confirmation of a club's intention to comply with the amateur regulations, in particular those relating to alleged inducements to players to change clubs, and the RFU believes that already its harder attitude is working.

Ian Beer, the RFU president who launched yesterday the 22nd edition of the *Rothmans Rugby Union Yearbook*, said that already there had been a good response to a move which has had the enthusiastic support of the Senior Clubs Association (SCA). "The clubs recognise that without such a structure some of them will go out of business," Beer said.

"It's difficult enough to run a rugby club as it is. If you begin to use money to induce players from another club, you won't have enough to maintain the fabric of your own club. The payments will go higher and higher, players will start to play one club off against another."

To avoid such a possibility the RFU will publicise the existence of what Beer referred to as a "hit squad", a group from within the union's committee — active for some seasons — which can check the accounts of any club attracting undue attention for its "transfer" activity.

Beer admitted that the statements of compliance had no force in law, but the union has the power to expel clubs found to be in breach of its regulations. "To an extent we are in the hands of our clubs and the sort of game they want," he said. "But there is far less transfer activity this season than last."

The RFU's harder line found an echo in the yearbook in which Stephen Jones, the editor, said it was vital the two groups in charge of the world game, the International Rugby Football Board and Rugby World Cup, started to cut back playing commitments. "If the demands for increasing professionalism in rugby grow even higher — which they will," Jones said, "it is a travesty ... to blame the players."

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Gibbs, the British Lions and Wales rugby union centre, who has resisted the financial temptation of rugby league and is staying with his present club, Swansea

Time for rugby union to open packages

Congregate round any rugby club bar these days and the word "package" dances in and out of the fug. As if freshly minted for the next edition of the *New Shorter Oxford Dictionary*, it has assumed a burgeoning significance.

Now wiseacres, familiar with the Reverend Frank Marshall's idea of amateurism in the 19th century, ponder vaguely on the significance of "the package on offer to the new stand-off half"; or, with a crisis in the air and threats of defection, the question is asked "what total package is on offer to the wing?" Prop forwards, seemingly, remain sublimely aloof in these discussions. At least, they are hardly mentioned.

When Scott Gibbs, the Wales and Lions centre, received a come-hither from St Helens recently, thought to be worth in the region of £350,000, and another approach from Wigan, both the Welsh Rugby Union (WRU) and Swansea, his club, were rumoured to be drawing together a package to fend off rugby league's temptation.

Vernon Pugh, QC, the new chairman of the WRU, was quick to point out the incorrectness of the rumour and that the figures quoted are invariably greatly exaggerated. "The WRU cannot be involved in any so-called package," he said. "The union cannot be favouring any one player or to be seen to be discriminating. This would be unfair to every other player in Wales.

"What we are able to do is, quite reasonably, to act in an advisory capacity. To suggest to him that, for example, those Welsh players in the past who signed for a rugby league club soon grew disenchanted: most would wish they were still playing rugby union. Swansea can do as they wish so long as they abide by the International Board regulations."



GERALD DAVIES
On rugby union

What does package mean? A job? A car? A mortgage? Money? I suppose it is a mixture of all of these. By all accounts, whether on the Welsh development squad tour to France or the under-21 trip to Holland, the chit-chat was of the likely packages coming their way. Who was getting what, and where.

Such talk is becoming open and accessible among an uninhibited young generation not conditioned to understand what amateurism means. One only wonders, when the system is so irregular, what it does to the self-esteem of those with no package to boast.

"Package" entered the rugby language in response to the scavenging tactics of rugby league. When Welsh rugby, without vision and moping in spiritless inertia in the late 80s, was in no fit state to convince players of the worthiness of their own game, its people went through a period of acceptance of those who left. Wales was a place to lose a reputation. Yorkshire and Lancashire might be places to make one.

In a period of three years, however, ten players trekked northwards, all of them, bar one, international players. While they were not all of the highest class, the group did represent a generation of players who might have formed the firm foundation of Wales's international recovery. In an attempt to arrest this unexpected haemorrhage of players, the talk of packages came into being.

That Welsh influence had been so ineffectual was reflected in only five representatives in last summer's Lions tour. Manifestly, Gibbs made huge advances. Leaving these shores with the rawness of a boy, he returned inclined to the maturity of a man.

Already bereft of great talent, to entice Gibbs out of Wales in these paranoid Welsh rugby times seemed like a conspiracy.

The focus is on cash. This week four other Welsh players — Ieuan Evans, Robert Jones, Mike Hall and Tony Clement — joined with Gibbs to announce that they were launching a company to capitalise on their fame. Called Just Players, the company anticipates a turnover of £100,000 in the first year and has the approval of the WRU. Similar schemes are in operation in other major rugby-playing nations and have been rubber-stamped by the International Rugby Football Board; provided, that is, the companies can resolve the paradox that players can only be involved in "non-rugby-related activities".

All of this serves to highlight rugby's severe personality problems. Uncertain of itself, it survives on euphemism. Package is one example. Expenses is another. Trust fund might be another. And Gala dinners? Do they mean, one way or another, that players get paid? If so, rugby clubs and their unions will soon have to say so.

Until such time, they are following a former cabinet secretary's dictum. Any form of secret activity requires a certain economy with the truth. Thus rugby is devising a new language for a concept, amateurism, which surely no longer exists.

Templeton to help Scotland improve coaching

By Alan Lorimer

BOB Templeton, who assisted Bob Dwyer to prepare the Australian team who won the World Cup in 1991, is to conduct a series of coaching seminars in Scotland later this year. The initiative is a joint venture between the Scottish Rugby Union (SRU) and McEwans, which yesterday launched its eighth year of sponsorship of the national league and inter-district championship.

Since the end of the Australia tour to Wales and Ireland last autumn, Templeton has been helping Harlequins.

In November and December he will run a series of seminars aimed at improving both the quality of coaching in Scotland and the number of coaches available.

Specifically, he will work with the Scotland under-19 development squad. Each session will be recorded on video and used for subsequent coaching clinics.

"In Australia we concentrate on doing things expertly," Templeton said yesterday. "If you do everything correctly then the whole game falls into place. When we see a fault in a player's game we really go out to remedy that fault.

"We stress correctness in retaining possession and running in the right alignment. And that has helped many of our young players reach international standard at comparatively early ages.

"John Eales, for example, played against the All Blacks when he was only 21. I have noticed that in England especially selectors are reluctant to take such risks."

Templeton praised the performance of the Scottish schools side who won seven out of eight games in Australia this summer, including the international match in Sydney. "There were some very impressive boys in that side," Templeton said.

McEwans has raised the amount of its sponsorship, which runs into six figures, by 13 per cent for this season, which will guarantee £670 to each of the 98 clubs who are members of the national league.

In addition, McEwans will continue with its club of the month awards and will give a cheque for £1,000 to the club of the season.

Thomsen posts warning in dressage

From Jenny MacArthur in Achselschwang, Germany

PETER Thomsen, a post office worker from Schleswig-Holstein who is riding in the German team for the first time, took the lead on his mare, White Girl, at the end of a dramatic opening day of dressage at the European three-day event championships here in Bavaria yesterday.

Nick Burton, on Bertie Blunt, who is making his debut in the British team, rode a superb test in difficult, slippery conditions to go into third place, behind the Dutch businessman, Andre van Spaendonck, on Heerle's Reine.

Van Spaendonck, who went to Britain's Alison Oliver to help sort out his horse's attitude to cross-country, has helped lift the Dutch team ahead of France and Britain at the halfway stage of the dressage phase.

The day began encouragingly with sunshine which looked likely to dry out the deep, slushy going for the cross-country tomorrow. But by mid-afternoon there was a deluge. Cars were abandoned in a sea of mud and the competition was brought to a temporary halt when the roof of one of the three huts housing the judges in the dressage event was blown off.

Van Spaendonck, a 47-year-old financial adviser who is based in Belgium, was the second to go after the rain. Despite the slippery conditions the former national champion produced an elegant, accurate performance on the ten-year-old Heerle's Reine to go into first place. His lead was short lived, however.

Thomsen, 32, conjured an outstanding performance from the exuberant White Girl to finish ahead of the Dutchman. Thomsen's mark was confirmed just as Burton was beginning his test, prompting an enormous cheer from the German camp.

"It was distracting," Burton, the son of the former England rugby union player Mike, said afterwards: "But the horse quickly settled. He can go better but considering the conditions I was very pleased."

Kristina Gifford, who is riding for Britain as an individual, managed to produce her best test to date with Song and Dance Man despite contending with the worst conditions of all the 34 riders who went yesterday.

Gifford, who rode her test in the second downpour of the afternoon, is in seventh place. "The rain helped to keep his head down so I was able to ask for more than I usually can," she said.

Helen Bell, also competing as an individual, is in eighth place on Troubleshooter, despite incurring two penalty points for an error of course. Bell, 29, is representing Britain for the first time although she has been long-listed for a championship team on 13 occasions.

Yesterday she was so absorbed in her test she forgot the second halt and was nonplussed when the bell rang for an error of course. "I couldn't think what I had done wrong," she said.

After a prompt from General Grignolo, the president of the ground jury, she corrected the mistake and produced a fine second half to her test.

Bell is hoping to capitalise on her good mark in the cross-country where the going is likely to be as influential as the 36 fences. Yesterday's deluge — which follows several days of rain — has made it even heavier. "I'm just hoping Troubleshooter can remember his early career hunting in Ireland," Bell said.

Charlotte Bathe, who went first for Britain in blazing sunshine, was disappointed with her test on The Cool Customer. He had been going well in the outside ring, but found it difficult to relax once inside the arena. He was also irritated by the flies and mosquitoes which are proving a constant menace.

Hugh Thomas, the director of Badminton and the technical delegate for the championships, does not expect any of the 68 starters to complete the course tomorrow within the optimum time of 12¼ minutes. Thomas has already removed one fence from the course and, if conditions worsen, he will reduce it further.

William Fox-Pitt, who does his dressage today along with Virginia Leng, has a confident, positive outlook on the course. "If you want to be brave you have just got to get on with it," he said.



Bell: penalty points

RESULTS: First day (dressage): 1, White Girl (P Thomsen, Ger), 41.0pts; 2, Heerle's Reine (A van Spaendonck, Hol), 42.8; 3, Bertie Blunt (N Burton, GB), 43.8; Other Britons: 7, Song and Dance Man (K Gifford), 47.2; 8, Troubleshooter (H Bell), 49.4; 20, The Cool Customer (C Bathe), 57.8

Penskes harry Mansell

By Oliver Holt

A SEASONED Brazilian and a raw Canadian stand between Nigel Mansell and a piece of motor-racing history this weekend. In the heart of America, in Lexington, Ohio, Emerson Fittipaldi and Paul Tracy will try to stop the Briton becoming the first driver to win the Formula One and IndyCar titles in successive seasons.

With three races to go and 66 points at stake, the Penske-Chevrolet team-mates are the only ones who can catch Mansell as he seeks to bring what may be only the first season of his US adventure to a triumphantly premature end.

Fittipaldi, 46, and Mario Andretti, 53, have won both titles, but neither did so in successive seasons. If Mansell beats Tracy and finishes at least six places ahead of the Brazilian, his task will be complete.

"Nothing is ever certain in racing," Mansell said yesterday. "There are still a lot of points out there to be won and the Penskes will be strong. Mid-Ohio is a very tough, demanding and enjoyable circuit to drive. It is a high workload, but it is also very satisfying."

Mansell's caution is predictable but understandable. Tracy, 24, in his first full IndyCar season, is almost unstoppable. He has won two of the last three races and the 2.25-mile, 13-turn road course should suit the Penskes with their better grip and traction.

It seems more likely that Mansell, 40, who has seen Formula One titles slip from his grasp in the past, will clinch the series on the one-mile oval in Nazareth, Pennsylvania, next weekend, especially if Fittipaldi can shake himself out of the torpor that seems to have dogged him in recent races.

The Brazilian displaced the Formula One world champion from the head of the IndyCar standing for the only time in mid-season, inspired by his elation over his second Indianapolis 500 triumph in May.

His performances peaked with a dramatic duel with Mansell's Newman-Haas Lola Ford on the concrete of Burke Lakefront Airport, in Cleveland, Ohio, in July, but last week he insisted the very presence of Mansell would continue to push him towards a second title.

"I have always driven at 100 per cent," he said, "but Nigel's arrival here has increased the competition and given me that little bit of extra impetus. The dice I had with him in Cleveland, where we passed each other five times on the same lap, was one of the greatest I have ever known in my career.

"Being in the same races with him and competing on an equal footing with him so soon after last year makes me sure I could still do a job in Formula One. The problem would be keeping my motivation going, but if the team was right and the car was right, I know I could do it."

☐ At Monza, Alain Prost needs only to claim a points finish two better than Ayrton Senna and prevent a win by Hill to put the drivers' championship beyond doubt.

Rumpus overshadows record score that leaves field trailing by three shots

Brand Jr gets the measure of course

BY JOHN HOPKINS, GOLF CORRESPONDENT

BY ANY yardstick, East Sussex National is a big golf club. It sprawls over 400 acres on the South Downs and the walks from green to tee are often the length of a long par three. In the first round of the GA European Open, when the wind blew at between 20 and 30mph, the east course demonstrated just how big it is. One of the longest the profesionals play all season, it tested them to their limits and only one man in seven was able to better par.

The hole on the 7,138-yard course that brought this home was the 9th, a par four of 466 yards. Sam Torrance, Sandy Lyle and Brian Barnes birdied it. Most of the rest of the field could not handle it. They were all at sixes and sevens.

It was directly into the wind, requiring a drive across a parcel of rough to reach the fairway and a second shot to a wide green that lay diagonally across the line of flight and had a swale at the back. The flag was tucked well to the left of the putting surface, a ridiculous position according to Ian Woosnam. "The guy who put the pin on that green was born with a spanner in his head," Woosnam said crisply.

Here we get to the heart of a constant debate on the PGA European Tour between the men who design and set up the courses and the professionals who have to play them. The players appear to think they should not be required to play a long iron or, heaven forbid, a wood to a par four because that would be too difficult. Isn't this what most amateurs do all the time?

The man who selected the positions for the flags was Andy McFee, the tournament director and senior tournament director for the European Tour. "They are difficult" McFee conceded. "But there is nothing wrong with them. I am not looking for the average player. I am trying to find out the best."

What it boils down to is this: Is there anything wrong with requiring professionals to have to play their fullest fairway club for a second shot on a par-four hole? "No," McFee replied firmly. He said that his view was similar to that of the late Gerald Micklem, one of the grand figures of British golf. "He said that this is not just an exam, it's an S-level, and I think that's right. You can be as hard as you like so long as you are not unfair."

The rumpus rather overshadowed the record 65 by Gordon Brand Jr that gave him a three-stroke lead over Philip Walton and Olle Karlsson. This is a pity because there have been few better rounds than Brand's all season. He began on the 10th hole just before 8am when the wind was stronger than it was in the afternoon. He raced to the turn in 30, made up of five birdies and four pars.

On such a day this was remarkable scoring. Woosnam covered the same stretch of holes in two under par. "To be eight under after 11 holes was unbelievable," Woosnam said. "I was two under at that stage and I thought I was playing pretty well. That is probably the round of the year." McFee paid his tribute too. "That is a fantastic score," he said. "This course is difficult." Later came the bizarre sight of David Feherty staring at the scoreboard as if he was transfixed. He could not believe his eyes either.

A lot of Brand Jr's success was due to his putting. He started to use a Bull's-Eye putter, which has a centre shaft and a flatter lie, in the pro-am on Wednesday. He liked it so much he kept it in his bag. It earned its corn round the course that lies within prime arable land. He one-putted on nine greens, the shortest being 18 inches on the par-three 13th, the longest, a 25-footer on the 7th.

Brand Jr, who had got up at 5.45, said after his round that he did not expect anyone to match it. He was right. No one got near it. Nick Faldo started with a seven after hitting his second shot (a nine-iron) into the water and three-putting from 20 feet. He recorded a 76. And Seve Ballesteros, as has been his wont lately, started with a flurry of bogeys although he improved to return a 70, his eighth successive subpar round.

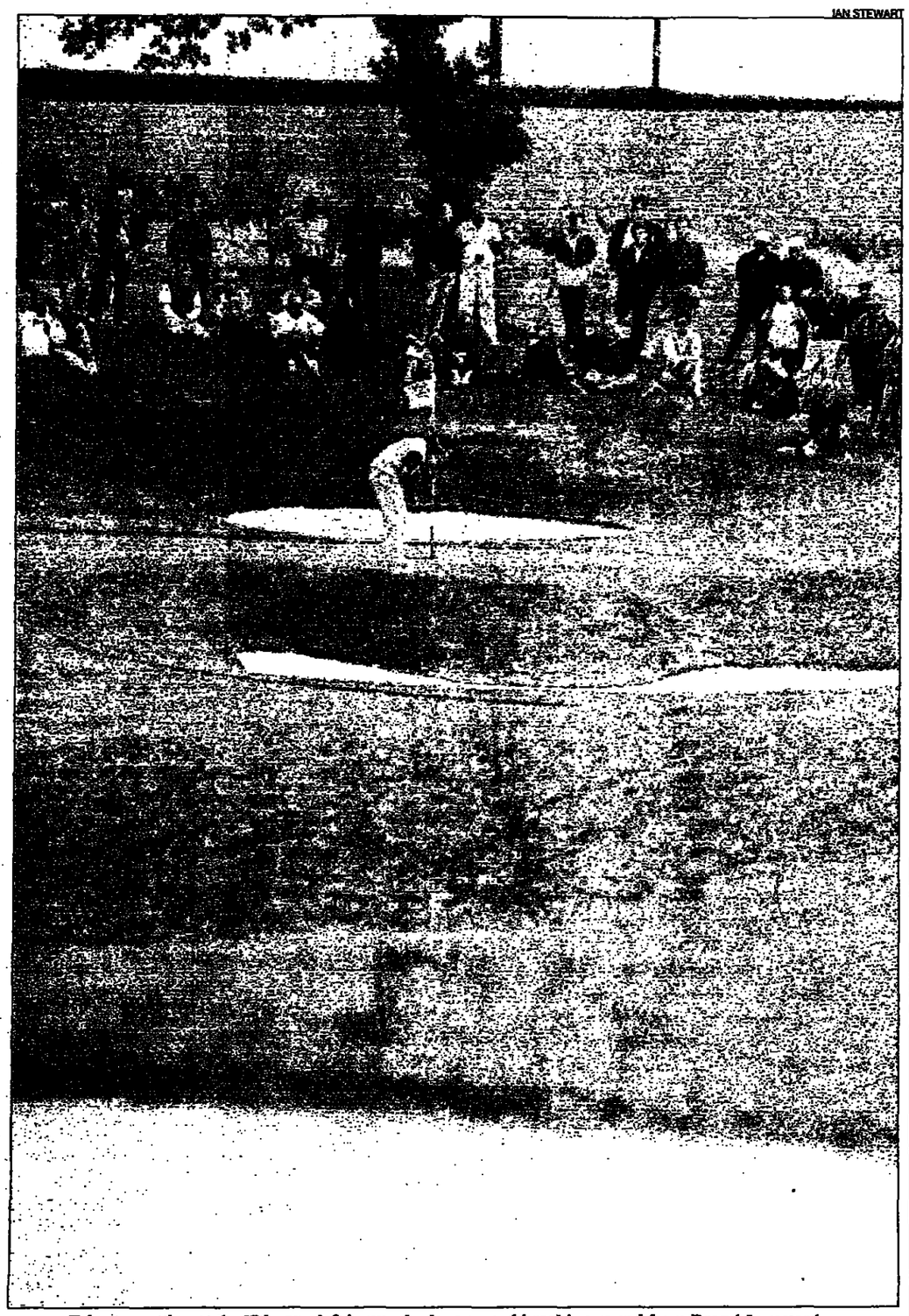
"It wasn't just a helluva putting round it was a helluva golf round," Brand Jr said. It was his day all right. He outscored the 11 Ryder Cup men who are competing — and he did not say a word about the pin placements.

SCORES

(GB and Ire unless stated)

65: G Brand Jr. 68: O Karlsson (Swe), P Walton. 69: T Gledson (Ger), R Lee, J Robinson, R Rafferty. 70: P Price, I Woosnam, S Ballesteros (Sp). 71: J McHenry, P Curry, M McLean, R Karlsson (Swe), J Rivero (Span), S Torrance, D W Basson (SA), B Lane, B Marchbank, J Hawkes (SA). 72: A Sherborne, S Richardson, C Montgomerie, M Clayton (Aus), J Pamevik (Swe), R Hartmann (US), A Lyle, R Davis (Aus), P Lawrie, J Robson.

73: R Chapman, P Fowler (Aus), R Goosen (SA), C Rocca (It), D Smyth, B Barnes, P McGinley, G Levenson, H Clark, F Nobilo (NZ), D Cooper, M Lanner (Swe), J Van de Velde (Fr), A Hunter. 74: W Riley (Aus), I Palmer (SA), P O'Malley (Aus), P Way, A Sorensen (Den), A Johnstone (Zim), M Davis, M-A Jiménez (Sp), M James, E Romero (Arg), D Clarke, M-A Martin (Sp), M Besancenay (Fr)



IAN STEWART

Feherty, putting at the 17th, was left in wonder by a record-breaking round from Brand Jr yesterday

Wales put faith in unusual advantage

BY PATRICIA DAVIES

HISTORICALLY, the dragon against St George is a foregone conclusion, but in the match that will decide the home international championship at the Royal Liverpool golf club, Hoylake, today Wales will be fired by the knowledge that this season they have already beaten England when it mattered.

In July, Wales won the European team championship for the first time, beating England, the defending champions, in the final, and today the Welsh must beat the English again if they are to win their first Raymond Trophy.

Yesterday, in damp, breezy conditions, England routed Ireland by 9½-5½ to win their second consecutive match, while Wales, who had beaten the Irish the day before, drew 7½-7½ with Scotland.

The leader for Scotland was Simon Mackenzie, from West Linton. One down to Matthew Ellis playing the last, Linton halted the red tide — Wales had just won three consecutive games on the 18th, to turn likely defeat into probable victory — when he got up and down out of a greenside bunker to win the hole and halve the match.

Ireland, holders of the title since 1990, had little chance of redeeming what was turning into a dismal week when they lost the foursomes 3½-1½. The top of the England order, and another solid performance by Gary Wolstenholme in the anchor role, ensured no upset in the singles.

The only one of the top five to lose was David Fisher, the English champion, who let himself down at the last hole against Padraig Harrington, the Walker Cup player from Dublin, who had pulled back from three down after 12 to square the match.

Fisher drove into a bunker at the 18th and seemed to lose his composure altogether. He jumped into the sand like a child bent on demolishing a sandcastle and, paying no apparent care to his stance, took a swing and left the ball in the sand. It was as well his captain was not there to witness such wastefulness.

Harrington was conceded the match without having to putt and took his points tally in international singles to an impressive 17½ points out of 20. Today, however, he and his team-mates have to stir themselves against Scotland solely in an attempt to avoid the wooden spoon.

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Britons run for prizes as best of the best

BY DAVID POWELL
ATHLETICS CORRESPONDENT

AFTER the gold rush, the paper chase. Three weeks after winning their world championship gold medals in Stuttgart, Colin Jackson and Sally Gunnell, of Britain, tonight attempt to pocket $130,000 (about £87,000) each from the richest prize fund in the history of athletics. It will not be easy and Crystal Palace is privileged to be staging the first Mobil grand prix final of any significance, eight years after the competition began.

The challenge facing Jackson and Gunnell is not only to beat the best athletes that their own events can throw at them, but also the leaders from other events. Jackson will have Mark McKoy, the Olympic champion, to beat in the 110 metres hurdles but, if he is to become the men's overall grand prix champion, he must score heavily enough on the tie-break tables to see off Noureddine Morceli, Sergey Bubka, Frankie Fredericks, Michael Powell and Jan Zelezny. Every one is a world champion.

These are the six men who have scored the maximum 45 points through the grand prix season. Coincidentally, six women have reached the maximum, too: Gunnell, Sandra Farmer-Patrick, Sonia O'Sullivan, Maria Mutola, Stefka Kostadinova and Merlene Ottey. Britain has never had a grand prix champion but may now produce two on the night when the final comes to Britain for the first time.

The trebling of prize-money to $2.3 million this season, and a revised scoring system, has taken the final on to a new platform. Past grand prix finals have been little more than run-of-the-mill meetings because athletes have not had the incentives to excel.

Previously, athletes accrued points through the season, with double for victory in the final, to determine the champion for each event. In some cases the winner of an event in the grand prix final and the discipline's grand prix champion would not be the same person, an unsatisfactory outcome. However, tonight the winner of each final will be grand prix champion, regardless of points scored hitherto. Each will be awarded $30,000. However, unlike the grand prix champion of each event, the overall grand prix winners, one man and one woman, are decided on season's points.

Effectively, though, the athletes chasing the overall prizes can forget the points they have scored so far: with so many athletes on maximums, nobody has a cushion to finish second tonight and take the honours. But the new structure, for all its merits, has flaws that could turn the extraganza into a farce.

When the tie-break tables were approved, men's javelin specifications were too new for the implement to have developed a history by which to decide how many points should be allocated for a particular throw. The result is that Zelezny, the world and Olympic champion, has an unfair advantage over Jackson and others. Any throw over 92 metres, nearly four metres short of the world record he set at Sheffield a fortnight ago, would mean one of the five other contenders having to break a world record to prevent Zelezny from taking the overall title.

In five competitions this season, Zelezny has thrown over 90 metres and Jackson would need to run close to his world record of 12.91sec to match that. However, Zelezny's winning throw in the world championships was 85.98m and, setting times, distances and heights attained in Stuttgart against the tie-break tables, the order would be: 1, Jackson; 2, Fredericks; 3, Powell; 4, Bubka; 5, Zelezny; 6, Morceli.

Repeating the excercise for the women, the order would be: 1, Gunnell; 2, Farmer-Patrick; 3, Ottey; 4, O'Sullivan; 5, Mutola; 6, Kostadinova. Since the women's tables appear to favour the 400 metres hurdlers, there is every likelihood that the winner of the race between Gunnell and Farmer-Patrick tonight will determine where the $100,000 goes.

For the benefit of fair play, the organisers must hope for settled weather. The scoring tables do not allow for wind readings, so Zelezny, for example, may have an 87 metres throw turned into a 90 metres one with the help of a decent following wind; since the hurdles is run in the opposite direction to the javelin competition, such a wind could turn a 12.95 hurdles by Jackson into a 13.10 run.

The unusual evening should be fascinating for the capacity crowd of 23,000. An essential tool for the supporter, though, will be scoring tables; however, since they were not available to the media yesterday, one is not hopeful for the prospects of them being on sale at Crystal Palace. The stadium announcer will need a personal best tonight.

TWELVE CONTENDERS FOR THE OVERALL GRAND PRIX TITLES

Men

SERGEY BUBKA (Ukr)

Age: 29. Event: pole vault. Main honours: one Olympic title (1988); four outdoor world titles (1983, 1987, 1991, 1993); three indoor world titles (1985, 1987, 1991); 34 world records, 16 outdoors, 18 indoors.

Breaks world records almost to order, but bonus money must be right. With $100,000 at stake, will no doubt be tempted to try for world record. If he needs one to be overall champion.

FRANKIE FREDERICKS (Nam)

Age: 25. Event: 200 metres. Main honours: one world title (1993).

Sprinter in the shadow of Christie and Johnson; won in Stuttgart because Johnson ran 400 metres; will need strong following wind to win overall.

COLIN JACKSON (GB)

Age: 26. Event: 110 metres hurdles. Main honours: one world title (1993); one European title (1990); one Commonwealth title (1990); one world record (1993).

Has buried suggestions he is prone to choking in important races, overall title would strengthen his case to be male world athlete of year.

NOUREDDINE MORCELI (Alg)

Age: 23. Event: 1,500 metres. Main honours: two world titles (1991, 1993); four world records, at 1,500 metres outdoors (1992), at 1,500 metres indoors (1991), at one mile outdoors (1993), at 1,000 metres indoors (1992).

Will he play for high stakes or low? He will gain $30,000 if he wins by running safe, relying on his kick, but $100,000 is the incentive for a fast time. Without pacemakers to rely on, risks blowing up if opts for the latter.

MIKE POWELL (US)

Age: 29. Event: long jump. Main honours: one world title (1991); one world record (1991).

Out on his own this year; thus, his standard has dropped. Competition against athletes from other disciplines may inspire him to his best this season, beyond 8.70m.

JAN ZELEZNY (Czech Rep)

Age: 27. Event: javelin. Main honours: one Olympic title (1992); one world title (1993); three world records (1987, 1990, 1993).

Best javelin thrower ever, according to Mick Hill, Britain's present No 1, used to be inconsistent, but reliable now, biggest threat to Jackson for men's overall title.

Women

SANDRA FARMER-PATRICK (US)

Age: 31. Event: 400 metres hurdles. Main honours: one Olympic silver medal (1992); one world championships silver medal (1993).

Dressed to kill. They used to ask what she would be wearing; first question now is "how fast can you run?" Hurdling style will never be as eye-catching as her outfits but, under a new coach, she's getting there.

SALLY GUNNELL (GB)

Age: 27. Event: 400 metres hurdles. Main honours: one Olympic title (1992), one world title (1993), one world record (1993).

Sidetracked after Stuttgart with commercial commitments and celebrations, precipitating defeat by Farmer-Patrick in Brussels; motivation for a big performace may not be as great as Farmer-Patrick's.

STEFKA KOSTADINOVA (Bul)

Age: 28. Event: high jump. Main honours: one outdoor world title (1987); four world indoor titles (1985, 1987, 1989, 1993); three outdoor world records (1986, 1988, 1987), three indoor world records (1987, 1987, 1988).

Inexplicable failure to reach final in Stuttgart but back over two metres since; patchy performer.

MARIA MUTOLA (Mozambique)

Age: 20. Event: 800 metres. Main honours: One world title (1993)

Discovered by Mozambique poet laureate, but hardly poetry in motion, a muscular, power-driven athlete who rarely fades at the finish.

SONIA O'SULLIVAN (Ire)

Age: 23. Event: 3,000 metres. Main honours: world championships silver medal at 1,500 metres (1993).

Has stayed the season well to become among the most consistent of all athletes. Yvonne Murray still trying to work out how to beat her.

MERLENE OTTEY (Jam)

Age: 33. Event: 100 metres. Main honours: one outdoor world title at 200 metres (1993), two indoor world titles at 200 metres (1989, 1991); three Commonwealth titles, two at 200 metres (1982, 1990), one at 100 metres (1990). 12 Commonwealth records, seven at 200 metres, five at 100 metres, four world indoor records, three at 200 metres (1991, 1991, 1993), one at 60 metres (1992).

Improving with age, won her first outdoor global title in Stuttgart. Inability to succeed at championships at odds with her grand prix consistency over many years.

SPORT IN BRIEF

FA imposes ticket ban on Clemence

RAY Clemence, the former England goalkeeper, has been banned from receiving FA Cup final tickets for three years after two £25 tickets issued to him for the 1992 final were later sold for £200 each. The Football Association yesterday also imposed a similar ban on Pavel Srnicek, the Newcastle United goalkeeper, who received a £20 ticket later sold for £100. Jim Smith, the Portsmouth manager, was banned for five years, and Barnet were fined £200 and had their allocation for the 1994 final reduced by half for failing to keep proper records.

Stephen Boler, who owns 30 per cent of the shares in Manchester City, said yesterday he would consider an offer to buy him out from Francis Lee, their former player, but would only sell with the agreement of Peter Swales, the City chairman. Lee will meet Boler on Sunday.

☐ Diego Maradona has agreed to join Newell's Old Boys, the Argentine first division club.

Fewster in fine form

POLO: Morgan Grenfell registered their first victory in the four-chukka intermediate Autumn Nations Cup at Windsor Great Park yesterday when they defeated John Ingram's Australian squad, the Wallabies, 9-8 in league two (John Watson writes). Morgan Grenfell, pivoted on the five-goal Rod Matthews, of New Zealand, dominated the first half, and led 6-3 at treading-in time with Martin Fewster scoring three goals. The Wallabies, power-based on Robert Cudmore and Peter Haydon, closed the gap after half-time and Harry Pearl, their English No 1, found the Morgan Grenfell posts shortly before the last bell to leave them trailing by only one goal. The second league two challenge was won by Jock Green-Armytage's well-balanced Saracens, who beat John Seabrook's La Paulina 9-5.

Widnes unhappy at fee

RUGBY LEAGUE: Leeds will have to pay Widnes £135,000 for Richard Eyres, the Great Britain second-row forward, the league's independent tribunal decided yesterday. Jim Mills, the Widnes chairman, said the club had been prepared to accept £100,000 less than the original asking price of £350,000, but the binding sum ordered by the three-man tribunal was "disgraceful". Leeds had offered £70,000 for Eyres, who is halfway through a six-match suspension following his dismissal in last season's Silk Cut Challenge Cup final.

Britons take lead

WATER SKIING: British teenagers took an overnight lead in the women's slalom event at the world championships in Singapore yesterday. Corinna Williams, 17, and Nicola Huntridge, 18, both cleared two buoys on the 13 metre line to claim pole position ahead of 23 rivals from 16 nations. A mistake from any of the top seeds, which include Philippa Roberts, who have still to go could leave them in the finals. Paul Studd and Jodi Fisher produced average scores in their weakest events but are still capable of recovering ground in the overall when they perform in the top group of jumpers.

Scotland lose 9-0

HOCKEY: Scotland's women suffered another crushing defeat in the junior world cup tournament in Terassa, Spain, yesterday, losing 9-0 to Australia. The Australians, who scored 17 goals in two matches, have yet to face a serious test which will come from South Korea and Holland in pool B. In pool A, England's chances faded on Wednesday night when they drew 2-2 with Kenya and have yet to play Germany, China and Argentina. England's men, with a 4-0 win over Cuba behind them, should have an easy match today against Egypt.

Mountjoy qualifies

SNOOKER: Doug Mountjoy qualified yesterday for the final stages of the Dubai Duty Free Classic less than four months after an operation to remove his left lung. Mountjoy, 51, reached the last 32 of the season's first world ranking event in Blackpool with a 5-3 victory over Peter Francisco, of South Africa. When the £224,000 event is played to its conclusion in the United Arab Emirates from September 30 to October 7, the former miner from Pontypool who has won the UK championship twice will face Martin Clark, the world No 12.

Skelton's speed show

EQUESTRIANISM: Nick Skelton won the main event on the opening afternoon of the £250,000 Spruce Meadows international in Calgary. Riding Everest Limited Edition, Skelton was fifth to go in a 50-strong field for the Canadian Welcome Cup. The British rider set a fast time over the demanding course and most of those who tried to beat it paid the price with jumping faults. Francis Connors, of Ireland, riding Spring Elegance, took second place. Eric Navet, of France, won the opening Fletcher Challenge Cup with his top speed horse, Rosire HN.

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WORD-WATCHING

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APERT

(b) Open, manifest, public, plain, unconcealed, from the Latin *apertum*, past participle stem of *aperire* to open; in Old French the word was to some extent confused with *aspert* expert, which has affected some of its senses: "Our national life in this period in its apert if not in its privy sides lacks the seriousness belonging to men and to generations."

SHIUR

(a) A lesson in Jewish traditional sources, from the Hebrew for a measure or portion; *Jewish Chronicle*, 1973: "Like other fornightly meetings, it began with a shiur on the sidra of the week given by Rabbi Rosin."

GNATHONICAL

(a) Resembling Gnatho in his proceedings, parasitical, toad-eating, a person resembling the parasitic and sycophantic Gnatho of Terence, from the Greek *gnathos* a jaw: Greene, *Orlando Furioso*, 1590: "Knowing him to be a Thrasonical madcap, they have sent me, a Gnathonical companion, to give him lettuce fit for his lips."

DULIA

(a) Servitude, service, specifically the inferior kind of veneration paid by Roman Catholics to saints and angels, opposed to *latria*, from medieval Latin, adapted from the Greek *douleia*: "The hyperdulia and dulia due respectively to our Blessed Lady and the Saints coregnant with Christ."

SOLUTION TO WINNING CHESS MOVE

White forced mate with the brilliant 1 Qxf6+! Qxf6 2 Rd8+! Qxd8 (2 . . . Qf8 3 Bb2 or 2 . . . Kg7 3 Rg5) 3 Bb2+ and mate next move.

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Wimbledon champion draws rich praise from beaten opponent

Sampras scales rare heights

FROM STUART JONES
TENNIS CORRESPONDENT
IN NEW YORK

MOUTHS had daily been agape here as the seeded men and women followed each other out of the US Open. Jaws dropped again around the stadium court on Wednesday night, but for a different reason. The audience was taken aback not by an improbable result but by the quality on view.

For two sets, Pete Sampras reached heights that he had not touched even when capturing the Wimbledon title two months ago. In winning 12 of 13 games, he dropped a mere nine points on his serve against so redoubtable an opponent as Michael Chang, the pursuer of lost causes.

For the first two sets, both of which were decided by tie-breaks, their quarter-final was evenly matched. After Chang had taken a 1-0 lead in the third, it developed instantly into an awesome exhibition of deliberate power and delicate touch. Sampras eased his way through, 6-7, 7-6, 6-1, 6-1.

Chang, the highest seed left in the championship apart from Sampras, had been regarded as a genuine threat to his fellow Californian. After all, he had won all five of their previous meetings on hard courts and six of their eight matches since they both turned professional five years ago.

But the record is misleading. The supposed superiority was established before 1990 when Sampras became, at the tender age of 19 years and 28 days, the youngest US Open men's champion. Now Chang appreciates that his rival is, upon such inspired occasions, peerless.

"He can do everything, he can serve, he can volley and he can hit winners from the back of the court," he said. "You see only a handful of players who are able to do that on the tour nowadays. People say that when he is at his best, he is unbeatable.

"Even if I had been two sets up, I would probably still have lost the match if he had maintained his play as he did. What could I do to stop him? I don't know. Go over to his side of the net and snap the strings of his racket?"

John McEnroe, the last player to demonstrate such sublime and overpowering quality, was there, acting as a television analyst, a job in which he is no less adept. "Rarely do you see tennis of that class," he said. "When he serves like that, it is unreturnable and unbreakable."

Sampras, the last American survivor in the championship, himself rated his purple patch as "the best two sets I've played in a very long time. I played some good tennis at Wimbledon but here I just played really well." In doing so, he reinforced his position as the clear favourite.

Nevertheless, the way the event has been going, he will doubtless be beaten in the semi-final by Alexander Volkov. The fourteenth seed, from Russia, who was knocked out by Sampras in the quarter-final last year, reached the last four at the expense of the grunting Thomas Muster, the twelfth seed.

Their match lasted 3½ hours longer than a curious women's quarter-final involving the unseeded Natalia Zvereva. After sitting around all day waiting for the rain to stop, she stayed on court for only eight minutes before deciding to become the eleventh competitor to withdraw.

Apparently a victim of influenza, she retired when she was 3-0 down to Arantxa Sánchez-Vicario, but there was a suggestion that she was saving herself for the doubles. Zvereva and Gigi Fernandez, the top seeds, are two victories away from completing the honourable distinction of the grand slam.

Had they been playing later on Wednesday night, Zvereva would have been automatically defaulted. "In that case," she admitted, "I would have stayed on court and done god knows what but I would have lost badly." A tournament doctor, who had confirmed the symptoms the previous day, had recommended rest, fluids and aspirin.

Helena Sukova, with Martina Navratilova already among her victims, added the unseeded Katerina Maleeva to her list. The tall and angular twelfth seed took almost two hours to go through 6-4, 6-7, 6-3 and will now meet Sánchez-Vicario, whom she beat in the last 16 at Wimbledon.

Sukova spent the day "eating and waiting and eating and waiting". Sánchez-Vicario preferred to listen to music and to read. One of her books was Sydney Sheldon's *The Other Side of Midnight*. By the time Volkov and Muster had finished their work, it was.

GARY HERSHORN/REUTER



Sampras, who played some of the best tennis of his career in beating Chang in four sets in the US Open

Passion of Wales could be their weakness

BY KEITH PIKE

THE same fervour that has carried Wales to within sight of the World Cup finals nonetheless threatens their place in the United States. As long as the men in red continue to let their hearts rule their heads, the team's greatest strength will also be its most obvious weakness.

A night of unrelenting drama at Cardiff Arms Park on Wednesday saw Wales, compensating with courage what they lacked in composure, draw 2-2 with the Representation of Czechs and Slovaks (RCS). Nobody doubts their resolve, not least the 37,000 on the terraces who matched the lung-bursting efforts of those on the field, and only a fool would discount their chances of qualifying from group four. Yet the view of a more detached observer might have pricked the bubble of undying Welsh optimism.

Paul van Himst, the Belgium manager, said: "The Wales players have so much character. Sometimes, though, it does them more harm than good." Never was that more true than on Wednesday when the passion which helped to subdue a technically superior RCS team also undermined Wales.

Both RCS goals could be attributed to mistakes rooted in misplaced enthusiasm. Hughes, valuable striker at club level and willing midfield chivvier for his country, can be a liability when trying to help out in defence. His attempt to play Wales out of trouble resulted only in the opening goal for Kuka.

Neither can sympathy for Eric Young, whose tackle on Skuhravy was wrongly penalised with the free kick which led to the RCS equaliser, be fully justified. The Crystal Palace defender made contact with ball and not man, but to dive in at this level — where forwards are so adept at feigning injury and referees so quick to perceive recklessness — is inviting trouble.

That is the dilemma facing Terry Yorath, the Wales manager. Blessed with forwards of the quality of Giggs, Rush and Saunders, he has had to compromise elsewhere to accommodate them and rely on the internationally naive to make sure their work is not wasted.

But while Wales have Giggs, all is not lost. One sublime goal from the multi-talented teenager and a delicate header to set up Rush for Wales's second mean that, provided they beat Cyprus at home in October, Wales will go into their last match, against Romania, also at home, on November 17, with a chance of qualifying. "I have a gut feeling we will do it," Yorath said.

Ireland to see horror show

FROM PETER BALL IN DUBLIN

IRELAND might qualify for the World Cup finals next month when Spain visit Dublin. First, though, Jack Charlton, the Ireland manager, is looking forward to a video show.

The video is a horror film, or a comedy of errors, depending on your point of view. For Charlton, it is an educational package, and watching it will be compulsory for his players, showing them the errors of their ways during the 2-0 win over Lithuania at Lansdowne Road on Wednesday.

It is rare for an international manager who has just seen his side take the two points which leave them on the brink of qualifying for the World Cup finals to respond with a furious attack on his players, but Charlton was seething after the game.

Later, he concluded that he should not be too hard on his team, feeling that, with five players on yellow cards, his own instructions to stay on their feet might have played its part in a lacklustre last hour. As it is, all five will be available for the Spanish game when, with luck, Townsend will be over his hamstring problem and both he and Quinn will be nearer to full fitness.

There was also the satisfaction to be taken from the evidence that, at 37, Kevin Moran's competitiveness and deep enthusiasm for the game is undiminished. Moran and Kernaghan were the only players Charlton specifically excluded from his general criticisms.

Ireland's great strength under Charlton has been built less on the long ball, in spite of the image, than on his midfield players epitomising the qualities of the old fashioned English wing-half, tracking their man and rattling into tackles, often starting dangerous attacks by winning the ball back deep in their opponents' half.

For half an hour on Wednesday Ireland did that, as they had in Copenhagen and Seville, when Denmark and Spain failed to overcome them. When Townsend, Keane, Houghton and Staunton are doing that, they are a truly formidable side, a side capable not only of getting to the United States but of making a significant impact when they get there.

But, after doing it so effectively that Lithuania were overwhelmed early on, they stood off and gave the Lithuanians time and space to play; and they nearly paid the penalty.

Against Spain, as Charlton said, that would be fatal. But if next month's video show rams home Wednesday's lesson, the poor performance might be more valuable than a better one would have been.

Roxburgh keeps Scotland job

BY RODDY FORSYTH

SCOTLAND'S failure to reach the 1994 World Cup finals after 20 years of unbroken qualification following the 1-1 draw with Switzerland at Pittodrie on Wednesday night is dispiriting, but north of the border the circumstance is not perhaps surprisingly, regarded as a national trauma.

Proof that the situation will not be turned into a killing field for reputations, as would undoubtedly have happened in England if Poland had left Wembley with a point, came when the Scottish Football Association (SFA) yesterday confirmed that Andy Roxburgh would remain as Scotland coach for the foreseeable future.

The SFA chief executive, Jim Farry, insisted that the association remained committed to Roxburgh. Farry said: "Life goes on. The association's international committee is currently considering various matters which are aimed at furthering the development of the national team.

"A report has been prepared by the national coach and he continues to have a significant role to play in those future developments which for the moment must remain confidential. Lessons have been learned regarding the lack of advance preparation and the national coach and his professional backroom staff are key components in the future success of the national teams at all levels."

Farry's statement was prompted by speculation in some newspapers that Roxburgh's future was in the balance following the draw with Switzerland which effectively put an end to Scotland's already frail hopes of reaching the finals in the United States next year.

It has certainly been in Roxburgh's favour that he took Scotland both to the last World Cup finals and to the finals of the European championship in Sweden two years later. Such also has been the disruption to his plans because of injury that a total of 38 players have been named in Scottish squads during this qualifying campaign, 34 of whom have actually played.

Roxburgh said yesterday: "I think we were prepared for this because it has been a gradual process. I don't want to go into the detail of all the difficulties we encountered but I think everybody knows that we were faced with exceptional problems."

RESULTS FROM FLUSHING MEADOW

MEN'S SINGLES: Quarter-finals: A Volkov (Russ) bt T Muster (Austria), 7-6, 6-3, 3-6, 2-6, 7-5; P Sampras (US) bt M Chang (US), 6-7, 7-6, 6-1, 6-1

WOMEN'S SINGLES: Quarter-finals: A Sánchez Vicario (Sp) bt N Zvereva (Belo), 3-0, rtd. H Sukova (Cz) bt K Maleeva (Bul), 6-4, 6-7, 6-3

MIXED DOUBLES: Semi-finals: H Sukova (Cz) and T Woodbridge (Aus) bt C Martinez and S Casal (Sp), 6-2, 6-1

MEN'S DOUBLES: Semi-finals: K Flach and R Leach (US) bt D Adams (Aus) and A Olhovsky (Russ) 6-7, 6-4, 7-5.

WOMEN'S DOUBLES: Quarter-finals: A Coetzer (SA) and I Gorrochategui (Arg) bt L McNeil (US) and R Stubbs (Aus), 6-2, 5-7, 7-5.

JUNIOR BOYS: singles: second round A Stenman (Swe) bt H Koti-Fraiford (Nor), 6-2, 6-2, B Ellwood (Aus) bt J Stoces (Czech Rep), 6-4, 6-4

JUNIOR GIRLS: singles: second round: S Jeyaseelan (Can) bt R Vidats (Hun), 6-1, 6-0, D Randriantefy (Madagascar) bt B Castro (Ch), 6-3, 2-6, 6-3; A Basica (US) bt S Nassa (US), 6-0, 6-3

S Cortina (Mex) bt C Morris (US) 6-4, 7-6, Y Yoshida (Japan) bt A Pastor (Fr), 6-1, 6-2; J Steven (US) bt J Scott (US), 6-3, 7-5, K Millar (US) bt F Lubiani (It), 6-1, 6-2

M Bentivoglio (It) bt C Morariu (US), 6-1, 6-4; S Suneephong (US) bt M Koutsaai (Holl), 2-6, 7-6, 7-6, A Castera (Fr) bt S Tibbits (Can), 0-6, 6-4, 6-2, H Mochizuki (Japan) bt M Seibold (Ger) 4-6, 6-3, 7-6; E Jelfs (GB) bt S Nicholas (US), 6-7, 6-3, 6-2; N Louarsabishvily (Georgia) bt J Pullin (GB), 4-6, 7-6, 6-1.

SENIOR MEN: Singles: First Round: H Solomon (US) bt R Tanner (US), 1-6, 6-2, 6-2. Quarter-finals: G Mayer (US) bt T Smid (Czech Rep), 6-2, 6-2.

FOR THE RECORD

FOOTBALL

WORLD CUP: European qualifying matches: Group one: Scotland 1, Switzerland 1 (at Pittodrie). Group two: England 3, Poland 0 (Wembley). Group three: Northern Ireland 2, Latvia 0 (Windsor Park). Group four: Wales 2, RCS 2 (Cardiff Arms Park); Faeroe Islands 0, Romania 4 (Toftir). Group five: Hungary 1, Russia 3 (Budapest), Iceland 1, Luxembourg 0 (Reykjavik). Group six: Finland 0, France 2 (Tampere), Bulgaria 1, Sweden 1 (Sofia).

INTERNATIONAL MATCHES: Norway 1, United States 0 (in Oslo); Spain 2, Chile 0 (in Alicante).

ANGLO-ITALIAN CUP: Qualifying round: Derby County 3, Nottingham Forest 2; Leicester City 0, West Bromwich Albion 0.

ITALIAN LEAGUE: Atalanta 2, Reggiana 1; Genoa 1, Cagliari 1; Internazionale 2, Cremonese 1; Juventus 3, Sampdoria 1; Lazio 2, Parma 1; Lecce 0, Foggia 2; Napoli 0, Torino 0; Piacenza 0, AC Milan 0; Udinese 0, Roma 0.

GERMAN LEAGUE: Cologne 0, Dynamo Dresden 1; Eintracht Frankfurt 3, Freiburg 0; Hamburg 3, Stuttgart 3; Kaiserslautern 0, Schalke 0; Wattenscheid 0, Duisburg 2.

DUTCH LEAGUE: WV Venlo 1, Go Ahead Eagles 0; Cambuur Leeuwarden 1, SC Heerenveen 2; Vitesse Arnhem 2, Sparta Rotterdam 0; RKC Waalwijk 1, NAC Breda 0; Feyenoord 2, FC Volendam 0; PSV Eindhoven 4, MVV Maastricht 2; Roda JC Kerkrade 1, Willem II Tilburg 1.

NEVILLE OVENDEN COMBINATION: First division: Brighton 1, Portsmouth 1, Ipswich 1, West Ham 3; Swindon 2, Charlton 0. Postponed: Bristol Rovers v Southampton. Second division: Cardiff 2, Birmingham 1, Swansea 3, Plymouth 2, Yeovil 1, Torquay 2.

PONTINS CENTRAL LEAGUE: First division: Blackburn 3, Wolverhampton 1; Manchester United 3, Newcastle 2; Liverpool 1, Leeds 4; Sunderland 1, Aston Villa 3. FEDERATION BREWERY NORTHERN LEAGUE: First division: Billingham Synthonia 3, West Auckland 0; Brandon 0, Northallerton 1; Eppleton CW 2, Durham City 3; Hebburn 2, Chester le Street 1; Murton 0, Stockton 2; Shildon 3, Newcastle Blue Star 1. Postponed: Consett v Guisborough.

NORTHERN PREMIER LEAGUE: Premier division: Accrington 1, Horwich 0; Boston 3, Leek 3; Bridlington 2, Matlock 2; Chorley 1, Winsford 0. First division: Great Harwood 4, Netherfield 1; Lancaster 1, Workington 1; Spennymoor 1, Farsley Celtic 1; Warrington 1, Curzon Ashton 2.

CARLING NORTH-WEST COUNTIES LEAGUE: First division: Kidsgrove 1, Darwen 0.

GREAT MILLS LEAGUE: Premier division: Bideford 1, Minehead 4; Chippenham 2, Mangotsfield 0.

BEAZER HOMES LEAGUE: Southern division: Burnham 1, Sudbury 4; Canterbury 1, Tonbridge 2; Salisbury 3, Poole 2; Weymouth 1, Newport (IW) 4. Midland division: Solihull Clifford 1, Armitage 3.

JENSON LEAGUE: Premier division: Felixstowe 1, Halstead 0; Soham 3, March 1.

DIADORA LEAGUE CUP: Epsom and Ewell 1, Hungerford 0; Feltham HS 2, Thame 3; Oxford City 3, Egham 0; Ware 0, Camberley 2.

FA VASE: Extra preliminary round, replay: General Chemicals 1, Meghull 3.

SPRINGHEATH PRINT CAPITAL LEAGUE: Leyton Orient 0, Barnet 4; Woking 5, Wycombe 1.

BASEBALL

NATIONAL LEAGUE: Montreal 6, Colorado 1; Chicago 9, Philadelphia 5; Cincinnati 8, St Louis 2; Houston 7, New York 1; San Diego 3, Florida 2; Atlanta 8, Los Angeles 2.

AMERICAN LEAGUE: Detroit 4, California 2; Cleveland 15, Minnesota 8; Oakland 2, Toronto 1; Baltimore 6, Seattle 3; Chicago 8, Boston 1; Milwaukee 2, Kansas City 1; Texas 4, New York 1.

CRICKET

RAPID CRICKETLINE SECOND XI CHAMPIONSHIP: Hove: Sussex 226 (M Newell 55 not out, C M Wells 52; K P Sheerar 4-37). Gloucestershire 9-0. Cheltenham: Essex 238 (N J Wood 4-31). Glamorgan 150-5. No play: Boldon: Durham v Hampshire.

EQUESTRIANISM

SPRUCE MEADOWS, Calgary: Fletcher Challenge Cup: 1, E Navet, Rosire HN (Fr); 2, I Miller, Future Vision (Can); 3, M Whitaker, Everest My Measeur (GB). Canadian Welcome Cup: 1, N Skelton, Everest Limited Edition (GB); 2, F Connors, Spring Elegance (Ire); 3, B Underhill, Monopoly (Can).

GOLF

ROYAL LIVERPOOL: Men's amateur home internationals: Ireland 6½, Wales 6½ (Ireland names first). Singles: E Power lost to B Dredge, 3 and 1; P Hannigton bt C Evans, 3 and 2; N Anderson bt N Elks, 2 and 1; G McCampsey lost to M Macara, 2 and 1; J Flanagan lost to R Johnson, 1 hole; G Murphy halved with H Roberts; D Higgins bt G Houston, 1 hole; J Morris lost to C O'Carroll, 2 holes; A Morrow lost to R Dinsdale, 2 and 1; K Nolan lost to S Jones, 1 hole.

England 8, Scotland 7 (England names first): Singles: I Pyman lost to D Robertson, 2 and 1; D Fisher lost to S Gallacher, 3 and 2; M Welch lost to R Russell, 1 hole; P Page bt S Dundas, 6 and 4; L James lost to D Downie, 1 hole; C Edwards bt A Reid, 1 hole; W Bennett bt M Urquhart, 3 and 2; M Stanford bt S Mackenzie, 2 and 1; L Westwood lost to B Howard, 4 and 3; G Wolstenholme bt G Sherry, 1 hole.

Scotland 3, Wales 2 (Scotland names first): Foursomes: D Robertson and B Howard lost to B Dredge and C O'Carroll, 4 and 3; R Russell and D Downie bt G Houston and S Jones, 2 and 1; S Dundas and A Reid bt R Dinsdale and M Macara, 2 and 1; S Gallagher and M Urquhart lost to C Evans and R Johnson, 5 and 3; G Sherry and S Mackenzie bt M Ellis and H Roberts, 5 and 4.

England 3½, Ireland 1½ (England names first): Foursomes: I Pyman and R Hutt bt P Harrington and J Flanagan, 2 and 1; D Fisher and P Page bt G McGimpsey and D Higgins, 1 hole; M Stanford and W Bennett lost to G Murphy and E Power, 4 and 2; M Welsh and L Westwood halved with N Anderson and J Morris; L James and C Edwards bt A Morrow and K Nolan, 3 and 2.

THE HERMITAGE, Dublin: Women's amateur home internationals: Wales 2, England 7 (Wales names first): Foursomes: L Dermot and V Thomas lost to N Buxton and J Morley, 2 and 1; H Lawson and J Thomas lost to J Hall and K Speak, 6 and 5; B Jones and A-M Magee bt J Hockley and S Lambert, 2 holes. Singles: A Donne lost to N Buxton, 1 hole; V Thomas lost to Hall, 2 holes; Dermot bt S Burnell, 1 hole; J Thomas lost to Morley, 2 and 1; S Boyes lost to Lambert, 4 and 3; Lawson lost to Speak, 2 and 1.

Ireland 4, Scotland 5 (Ireland names first): Foursomes: E Higgins and T Eakin bt C Lambert and M McKay, 4 and 2; E R Power and L McCool lost to A Rose and F McKay, 4 and 3; M McKenna and A Rogers lost to M McKinlay and L Roxburgh, 3 and 1. Singles: Higgins halved with Lambert; Power bt M McKay, 1 hole; Eakin lost to Rose, 1 hole; B Hackett lost to McKinlay, 2 and 1; Rogers bt S Little, 6 and 5; McKenna halved with F McKay.

HOCKEY

TERRASSA, Spain: Under-21 junior World Cup: Men: Pool A: Cuba 0, England 4; Holland 10, Egypt 0; Cuba 0, Holland 5; Germany 5, Malaysia 1. Pool B: South Korea 1, Pakistan 2; Argentina 0, Australia 2; Scotland 0, Spain 3. Women: Pool A: England 2, Kenya 2. Pool B: Trinidad and Tobago 0, Holland 6; S Korea 4, Canada 1; Scotland 0, Australia 0.

RUGBY UNION

HEINEKEN NATIONAL LEAGUE: First division: Newport 23, Cross Keys 20; Pontypool 20, Neath 43; Swansea 37, Dunvant 11.

CLUB MATCH: Morley 19, Hull Ionians 17.

BOWLS

WELLINGBOROUGH: Senatogan over-55 championships: Men: Singles: Semi-finals: S Hall (Kent) bt Pickrell (Middx), 21-12; J Davies (Sussex) bt J Searle (Dorset), 21-12. Final: Davies bt Hall, 21-18. Pairs: Semi-finals: E and W Hayward (Sussex) bt L Jay and W Jones (Middx), 21-14; K Manderson and P Line (Herts) bt A Stephenson and E Ramsdale (Durham), 22-20 (after extra end). Final: Manderson and Line bt Hayward and Hayward, 23-11.

Women: Singles: Semi-finals: D Hutton (Durham) bt A Moore (Sussex), 21-20; G Lloyd (Worcs) bt M Hennant (Norfolk), 21-17. Final: Lloyd bt Hutton, 21-14. Pairs: Semi-finals: E Brough and E Massey (Devon) bt V Mayford and B Watford (Bucks), 28-12; J Morgan and J Lanier (Cambs) bt J Coyle and S Beasley (Northants), 22-18. Final: Morgan and Lanier bt Brough and Massey, 24-19.

SHOOTING

BISLEY: Police championships: Full bore rifle (amended results): Aggregate (Long and Short): 1, B Carnaby (Devon and Cornwall), 240.31; 2, P Coby (West Mercia), 240.27; 3, G Walker (Devon and Cornwall), 240.26. Long range: 1, Coby 95.9; 2, Walker 95.8; 3, Carnaby 94.9. Smallbore rifle (Dewar): 1, J Armstrong (Cleveland), 375; 2, S Yeomans (Mid), 371; 3, N Cox (Devon and Cornwall), 369. Smallbore 50m: 1, Yeomans, 585; 2, R West (W Yorks), 585; 3, P Hatton (Lancs), 581. Smallbore aggregate: 1, Yeomans, 956; 2, Armstrong, 951; 3, West 950. Centre Fire Pistol: 1, R Duckworth (W Yorks), 564; 2, Chalk, 559. Ladies pistol: 1, L Pierpoint (W Mid), 518. Air pistol: 1, P Webb (Essex), 558; 2, M Barnes (W Midland), 544; 3, W Nicholson (Greater Manchester), 541. Free pistol: 1, Duckworth, 529; 2, Webb, 528; 3, L Chalk (Mid), 524.

SNOOKER

BLACKPOOL: Dubai Duty Free Classic (England unless stated): Tenth qualifying round: J Higgins (Scot) bt K Broughton, 5-1; R O'Sullivan bt J Whittaker, 5-1; D Finbow bt J Prince (N Ire), 5-2; S Meakin bt S Francisco (SA), 5-2; N Foulds bt A Cheema, 5-2; J Birch bt N Dyson, 5-4; M Davis bt D Murphy, 5-1; A Hamilton bt B Rowswell, 5-1.

SPEEDWAY

BRITISH LEAGUE: First division: Poole 52 (J Johansson 9, C Boyce 8) Arena Essex 38 (J Larsen 16, L Adams 12, B Petersen 12).

YACHTING

ATHENS: Sailing world championship: 1, H Johannessen (Nor); 2, A Reid (Swe); 3, B Oesterreich (Ger); 4, M Luschin (Austria); 5, S Jensen (Den); 6, B Saliko (Den); 7, O Spolen (Bela); 8, J Eckert (Swed); 9, L Klein (US); 10, P Thomson (Can). Leading positions (after four races): 1, L Doreste (Sp), 42.40pts; 2, M Doreste (Sp), 42.70; 3, P Ahlby (Swe), 47.40; 4, T Boudouris (Gr), 53.00; 5, P Coleman (US), 54.00; 6, Oesterreich, 60.70; 7, M Hayes (Aus), 68.00; 8, Spolen, 69.70; 9, Luschan, 71.00; 10, M Colon (It), 74.00.

ABERSOCH: International 505 championship: Fourth race: 1, P Brotherton and S Masterman; 2, I Barker and T Hancock, 3, I Pinnell and M Darling; 4, D Jarvis and A Harrop; 5, R Boardman and J Stowell; 6, C Haworth and P Wilmon Fifth race: 1, Barker and Hancock; 2, Brotherton and Masterman; 3, Jarvis and Harrop, 4, Pinnell and Darling; 5, P Towers and A Dawes; 6, P Milnes and N Fulcher Overall (with discard): 1, Barker and Hancock, 6.5pts, 2, Brotherton and Masterman, 10.5; 3, Pinnell and Darling, 10.75.

ATHLETICS

PEKING: National Games: Women's 10,000m: Weng Junxia (China), 29mn 31.78sec (world record).

VOLLEYBALL

MEN'S EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIPS. Pool A (in Oulu, Finland): France 3, Czech Republic 2; Holland 3, Bulgaria 1; Italy 3, Sweden 0; Czech Republic 3, Bulgaria 2. Pool B (in Turku, Finland): Poland 3, Finland 1; Russia 3, Germany 0; Ukraine 3, Spain 1; Russia 3, Poland 1.

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SCARBOROUGH: Yorkshire v Sussex

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Final day of three

11.0

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Third youth International

First day of four

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RUGBY LEAGUE

STONES BITTER CHAMPIONSHIP: Wigan v Leeds (7.30).

SECOND DIVISION: London Crusaders v Doncaster (7.30).

OTHER SPORT

ATHLETICS: IAAF grand prix final (Crystal Palace).

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Japanese owner faces costly supplement loss if filly switches to Longchamp

Royal Ballerina set to bypass Leger

By Julian Muscat

HOPEFULLY, Mitsuo Haga has money to burn. His filly Royal Ballerina, supplemented for the St Leger tomorrow at a cost of £25,000, will not contest the season's final classic if her trainer, Michael Kauntze, has his way.

The rain-saturated ground at Doncaster will not suit Royal Ballerina, so Kauntze was advising his Japanese patron late last night to bypass the race in favour of the Prix Vermeille at Longchamp on Sunday. Ironically, within half an hour of the news breaking, Doncaster racecourse was bathed in bright sunshine.

Such is the importance of ground conditions that Royal Ballerina's winning chance in the classic may be jetisoned for a further clash with the two fillies to deny her a classic victory, Wemyss Bight and Intrepidity. In the subsequent betting shake-up, Azzilfi went to the front of Ladbrokes' book at 5-2, with Armiger and Bob's Return at 3-1. Silverdale, proven on soft ground, dropped to 8-1 from 14-1.

Azzilfi's credentials received a timely boost yesterday when Assessor, his immediate victim in last month's Geoffrey Freer Stakes, ran away with the group three Doncaster Cup. The four-year-old could not have encountered more favourable conditions, and dismissed the evergreen Further Flight by four, easy lengths.

Richard Hannon cannot hide his admiration for the rugged Assessor. However, Swing Low must be threatening the pecking order after his now-customary late thrust proved too much for Emperor Jones in another group three test, the Kiveton Park Stakes over a mile.

With Mistle Cat a close third, the handicapper will undoubtedly use this race and last month's Celebration Mile at Goodwood, where the three protagonists again fought out a finish of bobbing heads, as a basis for his end-of-term classification. Swing Low will carry the torch in the Queen Elizabeth II Stakes at Ascot on September 25.

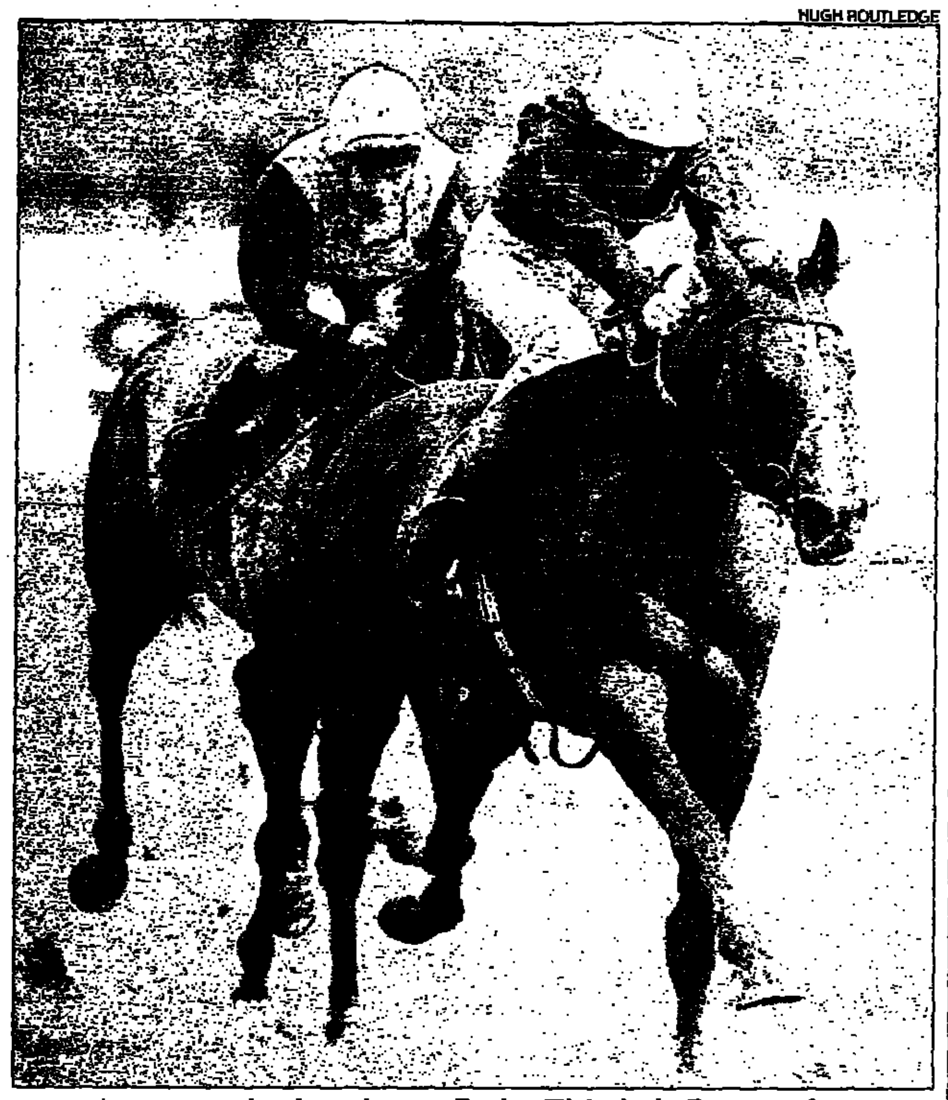
Hannon's double will have pleased favourite backers, but there was a curious sting in the tail for those allowing the betting market to decide their selection in the first race, the two-runner Queen's Own Yorkshire Dragoons Stakes.

Backers of the unnamed favourite will have been alarmed to find Nicolotte and Pencader sent of the 11-10 on favourites. Consequently, they knew before the outcome was settled that a winning result, financially, was mathematically impossible even though their selection was sure to finish first.

Nicolotte it was who proved the better, and conclusively, too, as he drew away from Pencader to score by 2½ lengths. A truer test of the colt's mettle will come in the Tattersalls Houghton Sales Stakes at Newmarket, where Pencader will renew rivalry.

Michael Stoute, who sends Opera House to the Irish Champion Stakes tomorrow in preparation for the Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe, landed the day's other group three prize when Hawajiss won the May Hill Stakes with a tenacity that bodes well for her future. Arjuzah, meanwhile, enjoyed a five-length romp in the listed Sceptre Stakes.

HUGH ROUTLEDGE



Assessor wearing down the grey, Further Flight, in the Doncaster Cup

DONCASTER

THUNDERER

1.35 Shepton Mallet
2.05 Primula Bairn
2.35 Geisway
3.05 Persian Brave
3.35 State Performer
4.05 Darmstadt
4.35 Jetbeeah

The Times Private Handicapper's top rating: 4.35 AJFAN.

Our Newmarket Correspondent: 2.35 Icy South. 3.05 Persian Brave.

GOING: SOFT DRAW: NO ADVANTAGE SIS

1.35 LAURENT-PERRIER ROSE CHAMPAGNE MAIDEN STAKES (2-Y-O: £3,840: 1m str) (14 runners)

101 (6) ASTRAL INVASION (R Sangster) P Chapple-Hyam 9-0 K Fallon –
102 (13) 00 BALLYMORRIS 14 (J Long) B Meehan 9-0 B Doyle (3) –
103 (1) DOVER STRAITS (Sheikh Mohammed) J Gosden 9-0 W R Swinburn –
104 (9) 00 EXPLORE MONDIAL 11 (Yat Fai Hung) J Eustace 9-0 M Tebbutt 64
105 (3) 34 MAGNETIC REEL 7 (B Levy) J Berry 9-0 J Carroll 70
106 (2) 0 MERLINSRISK 24 (Daniel A Couper) Mrs L Perrat 9-0 G Duffield 64
107 (4) 46 NAPOLEON STAR 20 (BF) (A Whiteau) M Saunders 9-0 J Williams 69
108 (7) NORTHERN HIGHLIGHT (Mrs J Jennings) B McMahon 9-0 J Fortune –
109 (12) 2 SHEPTON MALLET 64 (R Sangster) P Chapple-Hyam 9-0 J Reid ◎
110 (8) 02 SHERIDAN 57 (C Humphries) J Dunlop 9-0 Pat Eddery 94
111 (10) SILENCE IN COURT (P Freeman) B McMahon 9-0 A Mackay –
112 (11) 324 SOUTHERN POWER 27 (Lucayan Stud) R Hannon 9-0 L Dettori 85
113 (14) 2 THABIT 28 (H Al-Maktoum) P Walwyn 9-0 R Hills 95
114 (5) 00 ZOES PET 86 (Mrs S Shelley) G Eden 8-9 Dale Gibson –

BETTING: 5-4 Shepton Mallet, 9-2 Sheridan, 6-1 Thabit, 7-1 Dover Straits, 10-1 Southern Power, 12-1 others.

1992: DAKAR RALLY 8-10 S Cauthen (7-4 fav) H Cecil 13 ran

2.05 BRITISH COAL HANDICAP (£3,840: 5f) (13 runners)

201 (12) 051050 FOOD OF LOVE 13 (D,F,G) (J Davis Abell) J Wharton 5-10-0 J Williams 97
202 (13) 006163 ALLTHRUTHENIGHT 11 (D,G) (G Steinberg) L Holt 4-9-13 J Reid 97
203 (1) 303301 MACFARLANE 20 (CD,G,S) (P F-Godley) M Fetherston-Godley 5-9-13 F Norton ◎
204 (3) 0/20300 SHE'S SMART 20 (D,F) (B Shaw) M H Easterby 5-9-8 S Maloney (3) 94
205 (4) 041206 MANOR ADVENTURE 23 (D,G) (Mrs J Martin) B McMahon 3-9-2 L Dettori 95
206 (10) 615620 LITTLE SABOTEUR 20 (D,G,S) (Mrs P Makin) P Makin 4-9-2 W R Swinburn 94
207 (5) 66-3265 LOCAL HEROINE 35 (D,F) (Mrs L Meylan) J Berry 3-9-1 J Carroll 88
208 (9) 104042 PRIMULA BAIRN 32 (V,D,G,S) (Kawi) Mrs J Ramsden 3-8-12 K Fallon 93
209 (8) 012030 ABSOLUTION 14 (D,F,G,S) (M Hyman) M Naughton 9-8-9 Pat Eddery 92
210 (6) 355334 PRINCE BELFORT 43 (D,F) (Mrs C Sykes) J Eyre 5-8-8 N Adams 93
211 (2) 630310 ARC LAMP 14 (D,F,G) (B Bruce) J Glover 7-8-4 J Fortune 93
212 (7) 5-00055 SADDLEHOME 14 (F) (F Shaw) T Barron 4-8-4 G Duffield 91
213 (11) 301501 KALAR 14 (B,D,F,G) (E Stockdale) D Chapman 4-8-0 S Wood 95

BETTING: 6-1 Macfarlane, 7-1 Primula Bairn, 8-1 Kalar, Allthruthenight, Absolution, Little Saboteur, 10-1 Manor Adventure, 12-1 Local Heroine, Arc Lamp, 14-1 others.

1992: CATHERINES WELL 9-8-10 T Lucas (14-1) M W Easterby 17 ran

2.35 COAL TRADE BENEVOLENT ASSOCIATION CONDITIONS STAKES (£7,680: 1m 2f 60yd) (6 runners) C4

301 (6) 556236 YOUNG BUSTER 13 (CD,F,G) (Mollers Racing) G Wragg 5-9-6 Pat Eddery 94
302 (4) 12-1004 GEISWAY 6 (C,D,F,G) (P Green) R Hannon 3-9-1 W R Swinburn 88
303 (5) 41401 STONEY VALLEY 23 (D,F,G) (R Sangster) P Chapple-Hyam 3-9-1 J Reid 65
304 (3) 1215- FRENCHPARK 306 (G,S) (AJB-PC Stable Co Ltd) M Jarvis 3-8-13 J Carroll 90
305 (2) 454-201 ICY SOUTH 25 (D,F,S) (S Manana) J Gosden 3-8-12 L Dettori 86
306 (1) 243344 SALATIN 23 (G) (H Al-Maktoum) P Walwyn 3-8-11 R Hills ◎

BETTING: 5-2 Icy South, 7-2 Salatin, 4-1 Stoney Valley, 7-1 Geisway, Young Buster, 12-1 Frenchpark.

1992: NO CORRESPONDING RACE

FORM FOCUS

YOUNG BUSTER best recent effort when neck 2nd of 7 to Desert Team in group II Princess of Wales's Stakes at Newmarket (1m 4f, good to firm). GEISWAY about 5¾l 4th of 9 to Spartan Shareef in group III September Stakes at Kempton (1m 3f, good). STONEY VALLEY beat Alderbrook ¾l in a 13-runner handicap at York (1m 2f 85yd, good) with SALATIN (16lb better off) neck 4th. FRENCHPARK best form last year when 1½l 2nd of 6 to Fatherland in a listed race at the Curragh (7f, yielding). ICY SOUTH beat Blue Lion 2l in a 9-runner conditions race at Windsor (1m 2f, good to firm).
Selection: SALATIN

3.05 D & K TROY STAKES (Listed race: 3-Y-O: £9,942: 1m 4f) (8 runners) C4

401 (2) 5214-6 DESERT SECRET 127 (S) (M Al-Maktoum) M Stoute 9-0 W R Swinburn 86
402 (7) 223314 KEY TO MY HEART 23 (D,F,S) (Mrs M Pickering) D Moffatt 8-11 K Fallon 90
403 (4) 15-22 KUSAMBA 28 (G) (S Niarchos) R Charlton 8-11 S Raymond 89
404 (3) 16-1310 PERSIAN BRAVE 103 (F,S) (Persian Partnership) M Bell 8-11 G Duffield ◎
405 (8) 2111 PRINCE OF ANDROS 28 (D,F,G) (Lucayan Stud) D Loder 8-11 L Dettori 96
406 (6) 126-13 URGENT REQUEST 13 (F,S) (K Abdulla) B Hills 8-11 Pat Eddery 89
407 (5) 1 DEL DEYA 30 (F) (Sheikh Ahmed Al-Maktoum) J Gosden 8-6 L Piggott 91
408 (1) 6-312 MASHAIR 92 (S) (H Al-Maktoum) J Dunlop 8-6 R Hills 98

BETTING: 3-1 Mashair, 7-2 Urgent Request, 9-2 Prince Of Andros, 6-1 Del Deya, 7-1 Persian Brave, 8-1 Kusamba, 12-1 Key To My Heart, Desert Secret.

1992: KASMAYO 8-11 S Cauthen (9-4) J Gosden 5 ran

FORM FOCUS

DESERT SECRET about 14½l last of 6 to Beneficial in a listed race at Chester (1m 2f 75yd, good to firm). PERSIAN BRAVE beat Brigante Di Cielo 7l in an 11-runner handicap at York (1m 2f 85yd, good to soft) on penultimate start. PRINCE OF ANDROS beat KUSAMBA (2lb worse off) short head in a 7-runner conditions race at Newbury (1m 4f, good). URGENT REQUEST 3¼l 3rd of 4 to Shaiba in a listed race at Goodwood (1m 6f, good to firm). DEL DEYA beat Tap On Air head in an 18-runner Sandown maiden (1m 2f, good to firm). MASHAIR 1l 2nd of 9 to Rainbow Lake in Newbury listed race (1m 2f, good to firm).
Selection: MASHAIR

3.35 LAURENT-PERRIER CHAMPAGNE STAKES (Group II: 2-Y-O colts & geldings: £38,274: 7f) (4 runners) C4

501 (1) 1 BAL HARBOUR 64 (D,F) (F Abdulla) H Cecil 8-11 Pat Eddery 90
502 (3) 211 BLUEGRASS PRINCE 62 (D,F,G) (J Hardiman) R Hannon 8-11 L Dettori 90
503 (4) 111 STATE PERFORMER 55 (G,S) (R Sangster) P Chapple-Hyam 8-11 J Reid 98
504 (2) 0112 UNBLEST 23 (C,F) (Lord Vestey) J Fanshawe 8-11 G Duffield ◎

BETTING: 6-4 State Performer, 7-4 Bal Harbour, 7-2 Unblest, 6-1 Bluegrass Prince

1992: PETARDIA 9-0 M Hills (11-2) G Wragg 9 ran

FORM FOCUS

BAL HARBOUR beat Shepton Mallet neck in listed race at Newmarket (7f, good to firm). BLUEGRASS PRINCE beat Classic Sky neck in conditions race at York (7f, good to firm). STATE PERFORMER beat Time Star 3½l in listed race at Royal Ascot (6f, soft) penultimate start. UNBLEST head 2nd to Turtle Island in Gimcrack Stakes at York (6f, good).
Selection: STATE PERFORMER

4.05 H LEVERTON HANDICAP (£4,480: 1m 4f) (9 runners) C4

601 (6) 1-31200 PISTOL RIVER 23 (D,F,S) (P Green) R Hannon 3-9-10 J Reid 94
602 (1) 012260 DRUMMER HICKS 22 (C,F,G,S) (Mrs N Napier) E Weymes 4-9-5 Pat Eddery 98
603 (5) 115105 DARMSTADT 24 (V,D,F,G) (Sheikh Mohammed) J Gosden 3-9-0 L Dettori 95
604 (2) 164240 MISS PIN UP 31 (C,D,F,G) (E Baldwin) Pat Mitchell 4-8-13 G Duffield 98
605 (9) 00232 BROCTUNE BAY 39 (BF) (M Bailey) Mrs M Reveley 4-8-10 M Birch 95
606 (7) 034212 FIRST BID 9 (D,F,S) (Thomlinson's) R Whitaker 6-8-7 A Culhane ◎
607 (3) 323643 DOYCE 21 (G,S) (Lord Matthews) R Williams 4-8-6 R Hills 94
608 (4) 0-32460 QUEENS CONSUL 6 (Miss H Dawson) B Rothwell 3-8-0 D Wright (5) 97
609 (8) 015136 LUNAR RISK 49 (D,BF,F,G) (R Harm) W Muir 3-7-7 J Lowe 95

Long handicap: Lunar Risk 7-6

BETTING: 9-2 First Bid, 5-1 Pistol River, Darmstadt, Drummer Hicks, 6-1 Broctune Bay, 8-1 Doyce, 14-1 Miss Pin Up, 16-1 Lunar Risk, 25-1 Queens Consul.

1992: SEAL INDIGO 4-9-3 Pat Eddery (9-4 fav) R Hannon 9 ran

FORM FOCUS

PISTOL RIVER best recent effort when 2¾l 2nd of 16 to Learmont in a handicap at Royal Ascot (1m 4f, soft). DARMSTADT about 6¾l 5m of 12 to Edbaysaan in a handicap at York (1m 6f, good to soft). MISS PIN UP best recent effort when head 2nd of 6 to Amazon Express in a handicap at Newmarket (1m 4f, good). BROCTUNE BAY head 2nd of 7 to Fair Flyer in a handicap at Ripon (1m 4f 60yd, good to firm). FIRST BID 2½l 2nd of 10 to Hasten To Add in a handicap at York (1m 6f, good to firm).
Selection: PISTOL RIVER

4.35 SUN PRINCESS CONDITIONS STAKES (3-Y-O: £4,480: 1m rnd) (4)

1 (1) 111-5 TAOS 121 (CD,F,S) (Sheikh Mohammed) J Gosden 9-7 L Dettori 81
2 (4) 053512 KATIBA 11 (F,S) (H Al-Maktoum) J Dunlop 8-9 Pat Eddery 90
3 (3) 2-23041 AJFAN 18 (D,F,G) (H Al-Maktoum) H Thomson Jones 8-8 R Hills ◎
4 (2) 315D JETBEEAH 79 (D,G) (B Mussabah) J Fanshawe 8-8 W R Swinburn 88

BETTING: 5-4 Ajfan, 9-4 Jetbeeah, 4-1 Katiba, 6-1 Taos.

1992: TIK FA 9-2 L Dettori (10-1) B Hanbury 8 ran

GOODWOOD

THUNDERER

2.10 Bold Stroke
2.40 Blaze Away
3.10 CALEMAN (nap)
3.40 Lyphard's Delta
4.15 Whatever's Right
4.45 Cult Hero
5.20 Storm Canyon

Our Newmarket Correspondent: 5.20 STORM CANYON (nap).

GOING: GOOD DRAW: 6F-1M, HIGH NUMBERS BEST SIS

2.10 COUNTRY LADY ROSE HANDICAP (£5,385: 1m 1f) (20 runners)

1 (4) 3-01313 NAIF 14 (G) (Sultan Mohammed) L Cumani 3-9-10 R Cochrane 90
2 (1) 4-000U1 MOUGINS 101 (B,C,F,G) (R Tooth) D Elsworth 4-9-9 W Newnes 93
3 (16) 02-6003 BOLD STROKE 56 (F,S) (T Wilson) J Dunlop 4-9-8 W Carson 96
4 (12) 6-2140 CLOUDED ELEGANCE 14 (G) (Mrs M Wates) I Balding 3-9-8 W Ryan 87
5 (20) 001020 BRANDONHURST 28 (D,F,G) (R Michaelson) I Balding 3-9-7 M Hills 93
6 (6) 16-0300 GUSTAVIA 21 (G) (Mrs R Armstrong) R Armstrong 3-9-5 M Roberts 87
7 (16) 222514 GOOGLY 27 (CD,G,S) (A Lansley) W Wightman 4-9-4 G Bardwell 91
8 (17) 023222 KNOWTH 10 (G) (Roalles Partners) R Akehurst 4-9-4 T Quinn ◎
9 (7) 503200 BUZZARDS BELLBUOY 11 (V,G,S) (N Gardner) H Collingridge 4-9-4 J Quinn 96
10 (8) 10-6014 SAAFEND 11 (C,F) (J R Leisure Ltd) J Sutcliffe 5-9-4 K Darley 89
11 (9) 50-0005 YOUNG FREEMAN 102 (F) (R Kirstein) G Harwood 4-9-4 M Perrett 95
12 (3) 022006 AKKAZAO 13 (CD,F) (J Humphreys Ltd) T Mills 5-9-0 B Raymond 94
13 (14) 164603 WAVE HILL 17 (F,G) (J Whelan) P Hedger 4-8-13 J Weaver 92
14 (13) 05434 MIROSWAKI 30 (J Naughton) T Naughton 3-8-12 Paul Eddery 88
15 (10) 21-1222 WAKIL 60 (D,F,G) (E Gadsden) L Cottrell 4-8-11 A Munro 90
16 (2) 231108 DEEVEE 30 (F,G,S) (D Turner) C Benstead 4-8-10 P Robinson 88
17 (19) 105000 NORTH ESK 28 (C,F,G) (A Speyer) D Wilson 4-8-8 D McCabe (5) 90
18 (11) 052-460 SEA BARON 13 (Seven Seas Racing) M Blanshard 3-8-5 D Harrison 84
19 (15) 320200 SWIFT SILVER 34 (G,S) (Lord Rowallan) W Musson 6-8-3 A McGlone 89
20 (5) 621152 MAY HILLS LEGACY 11 (G,S) (Exors of Mrs G Williams) D Arbuthnot 4-8-1 R Price 91

BETTING: 5-1 Knowth, 11-2 Bold Stroke, 7-1 Naif, May Hills Legacy, 8-1 Wakil, Deevee, 10-1 Mougins, Googly, 12-1 Saafend, 14-1 Akkazao, 16-1 Wave Hill, 20-1 Brandonhurst, Young Freeman, 25-1 others.

1992: HAMADRYAD 4-9-5 N Gwilliams (25-1) W Carter 18 ran

2.40 STARDOM STAKES (2-Y-O: £10,867: 1m) (6 runners) BBC2

1 (2) 2411 BLAZE AWAY 20 (D,F,G) (P Mellon) I Balding 8-11 M Hills ◎
2 (5) 11 ESCARPMENT 11 (C,F,S) (R Sangster) P Chapple-Hyam 8-11 M Roberts 97
3 (4) 1 HARVEST MOUSE 62 (F) (The Lady Vestey) R Charlton 8-11 R Cochrane 81
4 (6) 521 INNISHOWEN 14 (G) (C Kavanagh) R Hannon 8-11 T Quinn 85
5 (1) 212512 NOMOS 11 (F) (J Fleming) B Meehan 8-11 W Ryan 89
6 (3) 21 BONNY BRIDE 11 (D,F) (E Loder) D Loder 8-6 K Darley 83

BETTING: 2-1 Blaze Away, 5-2 Escarpment, 4-1 Innishowen, 11-2 Harvest Mouse, 8-1 Bonny Bride, 16-1 Nomos.

1992: BLUSH RAMBLER 8-11 C Asmussen (3-1) M Stoute 6 ran

FORM FOCUS

BLAZE AWAY beat Threatening 4l in 6-runner conditions race at Sandown (1m, good to firm). ESCARPMENT won match at Warwick (7f, good to firm). Previously beat Wishing short-head in 12-runner maiden here (7f, good to soft). HARVEST MOUSE beat Duty Time neck in 11-runner maiden at Salisbury (7f, good to firm). INNISHOWEN beat Florid short-head in 28-runner maiden at Newmarket (7f, good).
Selection: BLAZE AWAY

3.10 COUNTRY GENTLEMEN'S ASSOCIATION HANDICAP (£6,465: 7f) (10 runners) BBC2

1 (3) 000003 SON PARDO 13 (C,F,G,S) (NTC (Racing) Ltd) R Hannon 3-9-7 K Darley 95
2 (1) 503601 YOUNG ERN 13 (CD,F,G,S) (M Xanthos) S Dow 3-9-4 T Quinn 95
3 (7) 205345 ROCKY WATERS 27 (CD,F,G) (K Higson) G L Moore 4-9-0 B Rouse 98
4 (8) 112003 BALLASECRET 8 (C,F,G,S) (R Adams) R Dickin 5-8-12 R Cochrane 94
5 (10) 215014 CORALS DREAM 13 (D,G,S) (Mrs C Hamson) C Wall 4-8-9 W Woods 94
6 (6) 050002 NOBLE PET 13 (D,S) (A Schell) P Makin 4-8-9 W Ryan 95
7 (5) 021014 KASSBAAN 13 (D,BF,F,G) (Maktoum Al Maktoum) A Scott 3-8-8 B Raymond 95
8 (9) 506011 CALEMAN 8 (D,F) (M Berger) R Boss 4-8-8 (3ex) W Carson ◎
9 (2) 215 GHOST TREE 21 (D,G) (Sheikh Mohammed) J Gosden 3-8-5 M Roberts 94
10 (4) 102225 FIELD OF VISION 13 (D,F) (R Huggins) M Johnston 3-8-3 T Williams 90

BETTING: 4-1 Caleman, 9-2 Ghost Tree, 6-1 Young Ern, 7-1 Corals Dream, Kassbaan, 8-1 others.

1992: NO CORRESPONDING RACE

FORM FOCUS

YOUNG ERN beat NOBLE PET (4lb better off) 2l in handicap over course and distance (good), with SON PARDO (6lb better off) 1l 3rd and CORALS DREAM (6lb better off) ¾l 4th. ROCKY WATERS 5¾l 5th of 15 to Ibtikar in a handicap at Newbury (7f, good to firm), with YOUNG ERN (6lb worse off) 5¾l 9th. CORALS DREAM beat Thornton Gate 1l in handicap at Chester (7f, good to soft) on penultimate start. KASSBAAN 2l 4th of 13 to Celt Heights in handicap at Newmarket (7f, good), with FIELD OF VISION (1lb worse off) ¾l 5th. CALEMAN beat My Best Valentine 1½l in handicap at Haydock (7f, good to firm). GHOST TREE 7½l 5th of 12 to Lap Of Luxury in listed race at Sandown (1m, good to firm).
Selection: CALEMAN (nap)

3.40 ABTRUST SELECT STAKES (Group III: £21,120: 1m 2f) (6 runners) BBC2

1 (6) 31161-1 KNIFEBOX 34 (CD,G,S) (Sheikh Mohammed) J Gosden 5-9-3 M Roberts ◎
2 (4) 3-62060 ENVIRONMENT FRIEND 24 (D,F,G) (W Gredley) N Wright 5-9-0 Paul Eddery 98
3 (1) 111212 RIVER NORTH 28 (D,G,S) (P Savill) Lady Herries 3-8-10 K Darley 91
4 (2) 21111 LYPHARD'S DELTA 41 (CD,F,S) (S Khaled) H Cecil 3-8-9 W Ryan 95
5 (3) 21-2145 GABR 13 (C,S) (H Al-Maktoum) R Armstrong 3-8-7 W Carson 91
6 (5) 222452 PORT LUCAYA 8 (B,C,F,G) (Lucayan Stud) R Hannon 3-8-7 B Raymond 93

BETTING: 2-1 Lyphard's Delta, 5-2 Knifebox, 7-2 River North, 5-1 Port Lucaya, 10-1 Gabr, 12-1 Environment Friend.

1992: KNIFEBOX 4-9-0 D Holland (25-1) J Gosden 10 ran

FORM FOCUS

KNIFEBOX beat Colway Rock 5l in 3-runner group III Rose of Lancaster Stakes at Haydock (1m 3f 120yd, good to soft). ENVIRONMENT FRIEND 19l 9th of 11 to Ezzoud in group I Juddmonte International at York (1m 2f 110yd, good to soft). RIVER NORTH beat Only Royale neck in 10-runner group III Tennents Scottish Classic at Ayr (1m 2f, good) on penultimate start. LYPHARD'S DELTA beat Only Royale 1½l in 9-runner group II Nassau Stakes over course and distance (good to soft). GABR 2¾l 5th of 6 to Swing Low in group II Celebration Mile here (1m, good to firm). PORT LUCAYA neck 2nd of 4 to Nuktasram in a listed race at York (1m 1f, good to firm).
Selection: LYPHARD'S DELTA

4.15 HIGH WOOD CLAIMING HANDICAP (£4,094: 1m) (25 runners)

1 (25) 003000 DASWAKI 30 (CD,F,G,S) (D Allen) G L Moore 5-10-0 B Rouse ◎
2 (8) 2-20050 PATSY GRIMES 8 (B) (J Grimes) M Muggeridge 3-9-8 Mark Denaro (7) 93
3 (6) 0-60040 GREEN CHILI 6 (B Singh) J Hills 3-9-7 M Hills 92
4 (18) 00300-0 OVERNIGHT SUCCESS 13 (T Burrage) M Madgwick 3-9-7 C Avery –
5 (1) 044040 WHATEVER'S RIGHT 20 (M Thurgood) M Usher 4-9-4 T Quinn 97
6 (9) 510-000 KYRENIA GAME 35 (C,F,G) (G Blades) P Mitchell 3-9-4 S O'Gorman 90
7 (19) 305 LADY BROKER 28 (Mrs J Bailey) A Bailey 3-9-2 A Tucker 90
8 (3) 258644 OLD COMRADES 22 (B,D,F,G) (J Boswell) L Cottrell 6-9-2 A Munro 98
9 (21) 5-36040 LYN'S RETURN 40J (C,F,G) (R Dagg) R Simpson 4-9-1 G Rothwell (7) 94
10 (2) 100180 SCOTS LAW 30 (B,D,F,G) (Mrs R Doorgachurn) R O'Sullivan 6-8-13 D McCabe (5) 90
11 (7) 112444 NORTHERN CONQUEROR 35J (C,F,G) T Naughton 5-8-13 Paul Eddery 91
12 (22) 040-444 GREAT HAND 15 (D,F) (M Sampson) R Rowe 7-8-13 M Perrett 93
13 (24) 141000 PIGALLE WONDER 32 (B,D,G) (Miss N Plann) R O'Sullivan 5-8-11 D Biggs 94
14 (5) 4003 GATHERING 16 (N Guyatt) M Bradstock 4-8-10 C Rutter 93
15 (19) 201030 MEDLAND 14 (F) (G Jackman) D Wilson 3-8-9 D Harrison 93
16 (20) 400060/ DE LA BILLIERE 114J (M Green) K Cunningham-Brown 5-8-8 S Whitworth –
17 (11) 600000 HAWAII STORM 18 (D,G,S) (A Solomou) Miss A Whitfield 5-8-8 R Painter (7) 90
18 (13) 00-0300 DANCING DIAMOND 13 (The Equerra Partnership) C Wall 3-8-5 W Woods 94
19 (16) 04310 SLOE BRANDY 14 (BF,G) (Lady Fairhaven) M Prescott 3-8-5 M Roberts 98
20 (23) 000 JOAN'S GIFT 29 (R Lamb) C Benstead 3-8-3 T Williams –
21 (17) 000005 WOODMANS STAR 28 (Mrs E Sheehan) D Shaw 3-8-3 R Price 97
22 (4) 5000-00 WEST END GIRL 30J (P Bennett) J Bennett 3-8-3 T Sprake –
23 (12) 400860 THATCHED 14 (J Rippon) C Wall 3-8-2 A McGlone 96
24 (15) 0-00046 THISONESFORALICE 22 (W Smith) A Harrison 5-8-1 K Darley 93
25 (14) 00045 TOCCO JEWEL 31 (Mrs M Ryan) M Ryan 3-7-12 P McCabe (7) 90

BETTING: 7-1 Old Comrades, 8-1 Northern Conqueror, Sloe Brandy, 10-1 Gathering, Daswaki, Green Chili, Great Hand, 12-1 Scots Law, 14-1 Whatever's Right, Lyn's Return, Lady Broker, 16-1 others.

1992: BROAD APPEAL 4-8-0 D Harrison (14-1) R Spicer 17 ran

4.45 GOODWOOD MOTOR CIRCUIT MAIDEN STAKES (2-Y-O: £3,757: 6f) (13 runners)

1 (4) 24 CULT HERO 24 (R Sangster) P Chapple-Hyam 9-0 W Carson ◎
2 (13) 54 DONTFORGET INSIGHT 10 (Insight Cartons Ltd) P Cole 9-0 T Quinn 80
3 (9) FARNHAM (R Hitchins) I Balding 9-0 M Hills –
4 (2) 5 FAWRAN 22 (Shaikh Ahmed Al Maktoum) J Gosden 9-0 M Roberts 82
5 (10) 00 LAKE PARVA 30 (H H Sultan Ahmad Shah) P Cole 9-0 C Rutter 70
6 (3) 0 MAZIRAH 14 (A Schiff) P Makin 9-0 W Ryan –
7 (7) 0 MONTICINO 22 (Mrs R Hambro) R Charlton 9-0 R Cochrane 78
8 (12) 30 ROOFTOP FLYER 44 (Miss L Vickers) R Hannon 9-0 K Darley 78
9 (8) SIXPEES (Mrs N Crook) M Channon 9-0 W Woods –
10 (6) 0 THE LONE DANCER 41 (J Smith) I Balding 9-0 S O'Gorman –
11 (5) 4 WYCHWOOD SANDY 23 (R Coombes) R Phillips 9-0 A Munro 81
12 (1) 00 BERMUDA LADY 32 (Mrs B Gudgeon) G Lewis 8-9 D Harrison 75
13 (11) 60 DANCING ROSINA 46 (Mrs E Miles) P Mitchell 8-9 W Newnes 63

BETTING: 6-4 Cult Hero, 4-1 Fawran, 6-1 Monticino, 7-1 Rooftop Flyer, 8-1 Farnham, 10-1 Dontforget Insight, 14-1 Wychwood Sandy, 20-1 Lake Parva, The Lone Dancer, 25-1 others.

1992: RAIN BROTHER 9-0 D Holland (5-4 fav) P Chapple-Hyam 17 ran

5.20 CARNES SEAT STAKES (3-Y-O: £3,348: 7f) (5 runners)

1 (5) 500443 BRIGG FAIR 9 (F,G) (J Norman) R Hannon 9-0 K Darley 92
2 (3) 22-211 STORM CANYON 23 (F,G) (Shaikh Mohammed) J Gosden 9-0 M Roberts 92
3 (1) 3162 EL DUCO 16 (F) (K Abdulla) R Charlton 8-12 Paul Eddery ◎
4 (2) 01 JAVA QUEEN 20 (F) (P Mellon) I Balding 8-7 M Hills 89
5 (4) 125 MATILA 45 (G) (H Al-Maktoum) R Armstrong 8-7 W Carson 91

BETTING: 5-4 Storm Canyon, 5-2 El Duco, 5-1 Brigg Fair, 7-1 Java Queen, 10-1 Matila

1992: NO CORRESPONDING RACE

State Performer to extend sequence

DONCASTER
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2.35: The hard-pulling **Salatin** is slowly becoming more tractable in races and was unlucky not to win when hampered at York last time. There is further improvement in Stoney Valley.

3.05: If the front-running Persian Brave can overcome a three-month break he would have a fine chance, but I prefer **Mashair**. John Dunlop's filly has not been seen since June but the form of her last two races has worked out well. John Gosden thinks highly of Del Deya.

3.35: Peter Chapple-Hyam should know where he stands as Shepton Mallet just failed to hold Bal Harbour at Newmarket and another Manton runner, Turtle Island, pipped Unblest at York. **State Performer** is regarded superior to those two stable companions at home and has won on the soft.

4.05 Broctune Bay is still a maiden but Mary Reveley's four-year-old looks to need a true test of stamina to prevail. With the testing ground, the gelding has his chance to shine. Darmstadt is improving but all his three wins have been on fast ground.

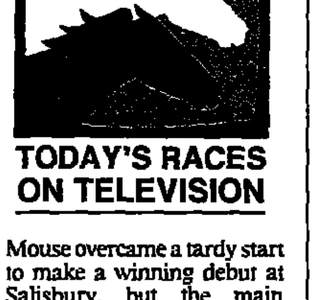
GOODWOOD
BBC2

2.40: Blaze Away showed markedly improved form when winning comfortably at Sandown last time. Harvest Mouse overcame a tardy start to make a winning debut at Salisbury, but the main threat is the unbeaten Escarpment, who won here in July.

3.10: Ballasecret is yet to win over this trip, but stayed on stoutly over Salisbury's stiff seven furlongs last week. Robin Dickin's front-runner has been in good form this season and can make all from her favoured high draw. Young Ern, a winner here two weeks ago, should be too good again for Son Pardo and Corals Dream.

3.40: Lyphard's Delta is one of the few three-year-olds to have beaten older horses in group races this season and the Nassau Stakes winner (second-placed Only Royale went on to win the Yorkshire Oaks) can repeat the trick here. River North has not stopped improving but Knifebox, last year's winner, is the main threat.

Richard Evans



TODAY'S RACES ON TELEVISION

COURSE SPECIALISTS

GOODWOOD
Trainers: H Cecil, 26 winners from 82 rides, 31.7%. R Armstrong, 5 from 22, 22.7%. R Charlton, 7 from 31, 22.6%. D Wilson, 11 from 51, 21.6%. J Gosden, 17 from 82, 20.7%. L Cumani, 16 from 80, 20.0%.
Jockeys: M Hills, 21 winners from 105 rides, 20.0%. A Munro, 23 from 125, 18.4%. W Carson, 49 from 274, 17.9%. B Raymond, 15 from 86, 17.4%. M Roberts, 25 from 181, 13.8%. R Cochrane, 27 from 209 rides, 12.9%.

DONCASTER
Trainers: H Cecil, 28 winners from 82 runners, 34.1%. J Gosden, 25 from 86, 29.1%. E Weymes, 4 from 14, 28.6%. R Charlton, 4 from 17, 23.5%. B Hills, 24, from 103, 23.3%. M Fetherston-Godley, 3 from 15, 20.0%.
Jockeys: Pat Eddery, 40 winners from 180 rides, 22.2%. J Carroll, 14 from 113, 12.4%. J Reid, 12 from 103, 11.7%. L Dettori, 15 from 134, 11.2%. W R Swinburn, 14 from 130, 10.8%. L Piggott, 5 from 49, 10.2%.

RESULTS FROM YESTERDAY'S THREE MEETINGS

Doncaster

Going: soft

1.35 (7f) 1, Nicolotte (M Hills, 10-11 jt-fav); 2, Pencader (10-11 jt-fav). 2 ran. 2½l. G Wragg. Tote: £1.90.

2.05 (1m) 1, HAWAJISS (W R Swinburn, 5-2 jt-fav); 2, Kissing Cousin (M Roberts, 5-2 jt-fav); 3, News And Echo (R Cochrane, 11-2). ALSO RAN: 4 Overact (4th), 13-2 Luana (5th). 5 ran. NR: Bulasoe. 2l, 10l, ½l, 15l. M Stoute at Newmarket. Tote: £3.90; £1.90, £1.40. DF: £3.20. CSF: £8.11.

2.35 (2m 2f) 1, ASSESSOR (T Quinn, 5-4 fav); 2, Further Flight (M Hills, 15-8); 3, Jack Button (N Connorton, 8-1). ALSO RAN: 5 Witness Box (4th), 100 Post Impressionist (5th). 5 ran. NR: Arcadian Heights. 4l, 5l, 7l, dist. R Hannon at East Everleigh. Tote: £2.10; £1.20, £1.30. DF: £1.80. CSF: £3.70.

3.10 (1m) 1, SWING LOW (J Reid, 7-2 jt-fav); 2, Emperor Jones (M Roberts, 7-2 jt-fav); 3, Mistle Cat (W Woods, 7-2 jt-fav). ALSO RAN: 7-2 jt-fav Inner City (4th), 8 Young Senor (pu), 12 Colway Rock (5th). 6 ran. NR: Enharmonic, Little Bean, Eurolink Thunder, Marcof. Sh hd, hd, 7l, 3½l. R Hannon at East Everleigh. Tote: £4.30; £2.10, £1.90. DF: £10.50. Trio: £6.30. CSF: £14.22.

3.40 (7f) 1, Final Frontier (T Quinn, 8-1); 2, Prenonamoss (11-1); 3, Albemine (4-1 fav). 11 ran. NR: Gipsy Fiddler, Cambara, Tychonic, Erlon, Hadeer's Dance, Amadeus Aes. Nk, 3l. R Akehurst. Tote: £8.30; £2.50, £6.00, £1.80. DF: £64.90. Trio: £144.90. CSF: £85.72. Tricast: £372.18.

4.10 (7f) 1, Arjuzah (W Carson, 9-4 fav, Richard Evans's nap); 2, Moon Over Miami (7-1); 3, Taufan Blu (15-2). 7 ran. NR: Mahi Al-Hawa, Sumoto. 5l, 1½l. J Gosden. Tote: £3.30; £2.00, £3.30. DF: £11.70. Trio: £48.30. CSF: £16.62.

4.40 (1m) 1, Duty Time (W Carson, 14-1); 2, Bab Warrior (10-1); 3, Ballard Ring (16-1); 4, Beats Working (6-1 fav). 17 ran. Nk, 1½l. J Dunlop. Tote: £23.20; £4.40, £2.70, £5.10, £1.90. DF: £266.20. Trio: £874.40. CSF: £146.67. Tricast: £2,096.80.

Jackpot: £3,241.20.

Placepot: £32.20.

Folkestone

Going: good

1.45 (1m 1f 149yd) 1, Majhola (A Munro, 5-4 fav); 2, Diplomatist (5-1); 3, Latest (7-1). 13 ran. 2l, 1½l. Lord Huntingdon. Tote: £2.30; £1.40, £1.60, £2.10. DF: £3.70. CSF: £7.78.

2.15 (6f) 1, Elevator Shaft (A Munro, 7-2; Private Handicapper's top rating); 2, Mandeville George (10-1); 3, Speedy Snaps Image (25-1). Truth Mountain 2-1 fav. 11 ran. 5l, 1½l. D Arbuthnot. Tote: £4.20; £1.80, £3.70, £14.70. DF: £18.10. CSF: £37.43.

2.45 (1m 7l 92yd) 1, Questwick (B Raymond, 2-1 jt-fav); 2, Charlotte Dundas (4-1); 3, Mr Luciano (9-1). Home Park 2-1 jt-fav. 6 ran. NR: Grand Applause. 5l, 12l. J Dunlop. Tote: £3.40; £2.10, £2.10. DF: £4.50. CSF: £9.42.

3.15 (6f) 1, Gipsy Kid (C Hawksley, 9-4 fav); 2, Bessie's Will (9-1); 3, Badger's Bend (9-2). 11 ran. 3l, nk. R Guest. Tote: £3.40; £1.80, £1.70, £2.10. DF: £12.50. CSF: £22.46.

3.45 (5f) 1, Lightning Belle (A Clark, 12-1); 2, Colne Valley (9-2); 3, Bandita (12-1). Mr Bergerac 3-1 fav. 10 ran. 1l, 2½l. M McCormack. Tote: £24.60; £2.80, £1.70, £4.30. DF: £56.80. CSF: £58.70.

4.15 (5f) 1, Dances With Risk (D Harrison, 7-2); 2, Alzianah (6-1); 3, Resonant (7-4 fav). 8 ran. 1l, 1½l. G Lewis. Tote: £3.10; £1.30, £1.90, £1.10. DF: £12.30. CSF: £22.75. Tricast: £42.25.

4.45 (1m 7l 92yd) 1, Hunting Ground (G Duffield, 3-1 fav); 2, Peach Brandy (5-1); 3, Jolis Absent (9-2). 9 ran. Sh hd, 2l. A Bailey. Tote: £4.30; £1.70, £1.70, £1.60. DF: £15.90. CSF: £17.23. Tricast: £59.72.

5.15 (1m 4f) 1, Dancing Tralthee (J Weaver, 7-2 fav); 2, El Volador (7-1); 3, Mitraas (7-1). 10 ran. 1½l, 6l. L Cumani. Tote: £4.50; £2.20, £2.20, £2.80. DF: £21.20. CSF: £28.40.

Placepot: £98.30.

Newton Abbot

Going: good to soft (soft in places)

2.20 (2m 1f hdle) 1, Athar (L Harvey, 7-2); 2, Little Nod (15-8 fav); 3, Singers Image (11-2). 9 ran. 6l, 12l. R Baker. Tote: £4.80; £1.40, £1.20, £1.90. DF: £2.90. CSF: £9.36.

2.50 (2m 1f hdle) 1, Ruling Dynasty (H Davies, 4-5 fav); 2, Head Turner (15-2); 3, Brown Sauce (7-2). 8 ran. 1l, 20l. M Usher. Tote: £1.80; £1.10, £1.90, £1.60. DF: £8.40. CSF: £7.62.

3.25 (3m 2f 110yd ch) 1, Killula Chief (M A Fitzgerald, 2-1 jt-fav); 2, Tri Folene (2-1 jt-fav); 3, Buddy Holly (5-1). 4 ran. 1½l, 30l. J O'Shea. Tote: £3.00. DF: £2.40. CSF: £5.73.

3.55 (3m 3f hdle) 1, Kronprinz (W Worthington, 2-1); 2, Trumpet (8-4); 3, Chamois Boy (7-4 fav). 4 ran. NR: Bankroll. 20l, 12l. M Chapman. Tote: £2.90. DF: £2.30. CSF: £6.37.

4.25 (2m 110yd ch) 1, Comic Line (S Burrough, 20-1); 2, Ilewin (5-1); 3, Parbold Hill (5-2 fav). 7 ran. 2½l, 3l. M Churches. Tote: £26.80; £3.30, £2.00. DF: £35.30. CSF: £100.36.

4.55 (2m 6f hdle) 1, Knightly Argus (J Osborne, 6-13 fav); 2, Mini-Master (12-1); 3, Proverbs Girl (3-1). 4 ran. Dist, dist. S Sherwood. Tote: £1.40. DF: £2.90. CSF: £5.92.

Placepot: £34.70.

RICHARD EVANS

Nap: MASHAIR
(3.05 Doncaster)

Next best: Shepton Mallet
(1.35 Doncaster)

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GOING: GOOD TO FIRM SIS

2.25 ODDINGLEY NOVICES HURDLE (£1,480: 2m 5f 110yd) (13 runners)

1 38-1 DEBACLE 11F (F) B McMath 4-11-4 D Murphy
2 3 EASY TOOMEY 30 J Jenkins 5-11-0 S Smith Eccles
3 P-P GLEN MOSELLE 27 B Cambidge 7-11-0 Mr J Cambidge
4 332- GRAIN MERCHANT 106 (V) F Yardley 7-11-0 D Gallagher
5 3-3P MAKE A LINE 15 S Sherwood 5-11-0 Mr A Lillingston (7)
6 00P- NORDIC FLIGHT 162 R Eckley 5-11-0 A Maguire
7 0P-0 PADDY'S GOLD 34 B Smart 5-11-0 G Rowe
8 36- RAGTIME BOY 139 L Barwell 5-11-0 N Mann
9 0/R- STORM FLIGHT 323 R Buckler 7-11-0 B Powell
10 0-34 WILL'S BOUNTY 13 (F) J Colston 10-11-0 Mr A Phillips (7)
11 BROTHER HAROLD J Webber 4-10-12 W Marston (3)
12 0-05 DOCTOR DUNKLIN 15 Mrs V Ward 4-10-12 R Davis (5)
13 00-5 ALICE SMITH 23 B Eckley 6-10-9 R Farrant (5)

7-4 Debacle, 2-1 Wills Bounty, 8-1 Grain Merchant, 10-1 Easy Toomey, 12-1 Alice Smith, 14-1 Storm Flight, 20-1 others.

2.55 HINDLIP NOVICES CHASE (£2,318: 2m) (8)

1 22-5 BARDESAN 13 (BF,G) O Sherwood 7-11-7 J Osborne
2 /1-2 CARELESS LAD 41 (F) J Joseph 7-11-7 D Skyrme
3 225- MISTY 225 T Forster 6-11-7 C Llewellyn
4 PP-4 PECCAVI 13 V Bishop 9-11-7 R Bellamy
5 25-1 EXPLOSIVE SPEED 20 (F,G) M Hammond 5-11-5 C Grant
6 -43F WEEKDAY CROSS 15 (G) J Jenkins 5-11-5 S Smith Eccles
7 6/F3 MENAGHI 13 D McCain 6-11-2 G McCourt
8 6PP- PANDORA'S PRIZE 130 (S) Mrs P Jones 7-11-2 T Wall

7-4 Bardesan, 9-4 Explosive Speed, 4-1 Careless Lad, 8-1 Misty, 10-1 Pandora's Prize, 16-1 Weekday Cross, 25-1 others.

3.25 NORTH PIDDLE HANDICAP HURDLE (£1,970: 3m) (7)

1 081- BANKROLL 183 (F) P Hobbs 6-11-10 Mr G Lewis (7)
2 200- CLASSIC STATEMENT 140 (D,F,S) R Lee 7-11-3 A Maguire
3 64-R HUGLI 15 (B,D,F) S Sherwood 6-11-2 J Osborne
4 32-2 FROSTY RECEPTION 16 (B,BF,F) R Baker 8-10-10 R Dunwoody
5 P-51 OWEN 15 (CD,F,G,S) B Smart 9-10-6 B Powell
6 318- KANO WARRIOR 172 (F) N Twiston-Davies 6-10-2 C Llewellyn
7 36-8 MOUNTSHANNON 15 (G) C Trietline 7-10-0 S Earle

5-2 Owen, 11-4 Frosty Reception, 9-2 Classic Statement, 6-1 Kano Warrior, 8-1 Hugli, Bankroll, 14-1 Mountshannon

3.55 STONEHALL HANDICAP CHASE (£2,695: 2m) (10)

1 -313 DRUMSTICK 6 (CD,F,S) K Bailey 7-11-10 N Williamson
2 14/5 DEEP DARK DAWN 21 (CD,F,G) J Upson 8-11-8 R Supple
3 204- TIGERS PET 130 (CD,F,G) W Bissill 9-10-13 S Smith Eccles
4 11-1 STAY AWAKE 6 (D,F,G,S) Mrs M Reveley 7-10-9 (6ex) P Niven
5 236- KNIGHT'S SPUR 111 (D,F,G) J Webber 6-10-7 G McCourt
6 22/2 FEATHER YOUR NEST 15 (D,F) K Bailey 8-10-2 J Railton
7 1P/U SHARP ORDER 34 (D,F,S) T Caldwell 8-10-1 Pat Caldwell
8 -514 RUPPLES 11 (F,G) M Chapman 6-10-0 W Worthington
9 22-4 BILL AND COUP 27 (F,G) K Morgan 8-10-0 A S Smith
10 /56- TRY ME NOW 114 (F) Miss E England 7-10-0 J Supple (7)

3-1 Stay Awake, 7-2 Feather Your Nest, 5-1 Drumstick, 11-2 Rupples, 6-1 Bill And Coup, 8-1 Deep Dark Dawn, 14-1 Tigers Pet, 16-1 others.

4.25 PIRTON NOVICES HURDLE (£1,480: 3m) (9)

1 6-11 PERFORATE 15 (B,C,F) R Baker 4-11-10 L Harvey
2 P/0 BROWNHALL 16 M Charles 5-11-0 Mr B Pollock (7)
3 0 DAUNTLESS KNIGHT 18 P Hobbs 5-11-0 Peter Hobbs
4 13-2 MR MURDOCK 23 (BF,F) R Alner 8-11-0 S Earle
5 0-0 NEW STATESMAN 16 C Barwell 5-11-0 N Mann
6 23-2 OVER THE STREAM 18 (F) M Hammond 7-11-0 C Grant
7 42- EXARCH 227 N Twiston-Davies 4-10-12 C Llewellyn
8 00F- OUTFIELD 119 J Webber 7-10-9 G McCourt
9 0-3 RICH AND RED 15 K Bailey 7-10-9 N Williamson

5-2 Mr Murdock, 7-2 Perforate, 4-1 Over The Stream, 5-1 Outfield, 11-2 Exarch, 6-1 Rich And Red, 16-1 others.

4.55 WYRE PIDDLE HANDICAP HURDLE (£2,022: 2m) (5)

1 453- DONOSTI 119 (CD,F,G) R Lee 9-11-10 A Maguire
2 3-31 CLEEVELAND LADY 6 (D,F,G) W G M Turner 6-11-5 (7ex) R Dunwoody
3 500- SUNSET REINS FREE 111F (D,G) S Payne 8-10-13 K Jones
4 46-P TALATON FLYER 18 (D,F) P Hobbs 7-10-13 Peter Hobbs
5 015- POWER HAPPY 151 (CD,F) F Yardley 8-10-1 D Gallagher

6-5 Cleeveland Lady, 9-4 Donosti, 5-1 Talaton Flyer, 7-1 Sunset Reins Free, 10-1 Power Happy.

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Middlesex members form an appreciative backdrop after the presentation of the Britannic Assurance championship trophy and a cheque for £47,500 to Gatting at Lord's yesterday

Gatting's innings worthy of his day

BY MICHAEL HENDERSON

LORD'S (first day of four; Middlesex won toss): Middlesex have made 136 for two wickets against Lancashire

IN A nutshell, one might say, this final county match of the season at Lord's has got it about right. Middlesex, the champions, are unbeaten this year. Lancashire, in their etiolated state, have lost seven of their last eight matches since beating Derbyshire at the end of June. So much for the promises of spring.

Lancashire's story has some distance to run, although David Hughes, the manager, should be wise to his fate next week, and after that, it is thought, everything else will follow. All the qualities which give Middlesex's cricket its purpose are signally missing from Lancashire's.

"Four-day cricket has shown up the deficiencies of every team," Michael Gatting said before collecting the championship trophy at lunchtime. Quite so: but Middlesex's less than others. No fewer than five players — Carr, Tufnell, Emburey, Roseberry and Fraser — have returned career-best performances this season. As Gatting said: "People must learn how to play proper cricket."

Middlesex's problems, although less onerous, still exist. Cowans and Williams have both seen better days, and Emburey, who has acquired senior statesman status, will never have a more profitable season than this. There is also the matter of Gatting himself, three times a captain of champions, who must soon relinquish his authority.

He could carry on for some years to come, but it is more likely that he will reconsider his position in the next two seasons. John Carr, who has been linked with Somerset, will not go to Taunton so long as he knows he is the chosen successor.

Should Middlesex avoid defeat here, and at Worcester next week, they will become the first side to go through a season unbeaten since Hampshire won the Championship in 1973.

Gatting resumes today with 54 to his name after overnight rain caused a delay at the start of the day — somewhat absurdly since the ground could easily accommodate all the people who wandered on to it to watch the presentation.

Again, in the evening session, seven overs were lost when Gatting and Ramprakash accepted an offer of bad light when there were blue skies overhead. Despite that nonsense, Gatting was in purple form, once pulling DeFreitas into the advertising boards at mid-wicket before Wasim Akram had turned round to face the ball at deep square-leg, no more than 15 yards away.

Richards has change of mind about retirement

BY ALAN LEE, CRICKET CORRESPONDENT

THE valediction for Vivian Richards's cricket career must wait a little longer. The greatest batsman of his generation will leave Glamorgan, as planned, in ten days' time. But instead of the anticipated saunter into retirement he is prepared to enter into immediate negotiations with another county.

Richards explained this remarkable development at Cardiff yesterday, as squally rain frustrated Glamorgan's ambitions to claim second place in the county championship. "My time is up here and people have assumed it is the end for me," he said. "But I am still fit and enjoying my cricket. I am open to offers."

It is too late for Glamorgan to re-employ Richards, as they have signed the Barbadian all-rounder, Otis Gibson, on a three-year contract. Most other clubs have also made their overseas player arrangements for next season and one possible avenue for Richards — who, under the registration regulations, would need a minimum two-year deal — was closed yesterday when Courtney Walsh signed on for another three years with Gloucestershire.

Two clubs that may be interested, however, are Worcestershire and Derbyshire. If Worcestershire win the contest to sign Paul Jarvis, from Yorkshire, they may revert to a batsman as their overseas player — and Richards is a friend of the club's chairman, Duncan Fearnley.

Derbyshire are awaiting a fitness report on Ian Bishop before making any contractual moves, though their problem is a lack of money. Richards will not come cheap.

"I have an agent, and it was initially his idea that maybe I should play on," he said. "I don't want to be involved at a lower level and I certainly won't play in the leagues, but if a county thinks I can still do a job for them, then I'm interested."

Richards joined Glamorgan in 1990 and, after missing the following season through his farewell tour as West Indies captain, returned last year. It is this season, his third with the club, that has been the most mutually rewarding. Richards responding to the maturing of a talented young side with cricket of a verve and commitment to shame men half his age.

His part in Glamorgan's best season for 25 years cannot be overstated. Not only has he made more than 1,000 first-class runs at an average of 48, he has also contributed hugely to the one-day side, most strikingly in the field, where his athleticism has been matched by vocal enthusiasm.

"I've enjoyed being part of it, and it will be sad to leave," he said. "The club has identified a need for an overseas quickie. I can't argue with that. I might if I was 21, but not at 41. I've always been a team guy, who loves channelling himself into a new challenge. It's what I do well. If another one comes along, I'm ready for it. If not, no sweat. I don't have to play at my age."

Richards's change of heart about retiring surprised many Glamorgan players and officials yesterday. If it owes something to problems in his business and personal life, it also says much about his affection for English cricket and the way of life here.

Glamorgan, meanwhile, have a problem with another of the stars of this summer, Matthew Maynard. The England batsman has yet to agree terms for a new contract, an unwelcome distraction for Glamorgan as they strive to crown their resurgence with the Sunday League trophy.



Richards: available

Zimbabwean lions claw way to respectability

BY JACK BAILEY

THE OVAL (second day of three): Surrey, with four second-innings wickets in hand, lead the Zimbabweans by 197 runs

THE Zimbabwe Lion had an altogether better day yesterday. First the tail lashed out, saving the follow-on and doing enough further damage to enable a declaration to be made only 83 behind Surrey's first innings total. Then Surrey's early batsmen were pounced upon with a positive snarl. Three of them were removed for 22 in the space of eight overs before Graham Thorpe and Adam Hollioake came together and restored temporary calm to the Surrey ranks.

These two added 69 for the third wicket. They saw off the dangerous David Brain, who found his length and line after a nervous and wayward spell in the first innings, removed Ward and Alikhan with big left arm inswingers and had everyone hopping about before he tired.

But once Thorpe had left, amazingly well caught by Flower, the wicket keeper, off bat and pad in front of the wicket, the Surrey jitters returned.

Changing the order around has its dangers. The two top scorers in the first innings, Brown and Smith, have just come in and six wickets are down — but even that can hardly be blamed for some disastrous running between the wickets which led to two run outs and helped to count for Surrey's somewhat uneasy position at the close.

Surrey's early batting may have had problems but that had become par for the course after Zimbabwe's early slump when they set out first thing in the morning to chase Surrey's 304 for seven. By lunch they were languishing at 116 for six.

Even this was good news compared with the 59 they had on the board when the fifth wicket fell; for by then Briant was showing signs of solidity and permanence, qualities nobody else had displayed in the face of Surrey's second line seam attack.

That honest yeoman Tony Murphy did most of the damage. His open chested delivery lends itself to the ball which slants in to the right hander, but now the odd one bit and held its own. This resulted in a catch at second slip to remove Grant Flower; Campbell was scuppered with the assistance of a low, diving catch behind the wicket; Thorpe held a stinging catch in the slips to see the back of Streak.

Murphy's three wickets before lunch was later to become his first five wicket haul of the season. Meanwhile, Alikhan's occasional medium pace had accounted for Houghton, so often in the past a pillar of strength, and from the very next ball, Andy Flower, the Zimbabwe captain, answered a call from the new batsman and was run out by Smith's fast, flat return.

The new batsman was Briant, who stayed for his half-century while 102 runs were scored and paved the way for Peall and Brain to assault the Surrey bowling with unfettered aggression. Brian lifted Surrey's Smith for two straight sixes in an over before the declaration came.

YESTERDAY'S SCOREBOARDS

Britannic Assurance county championship

Yorkshire v Sussex

SCARBOROUGH (*first day of four; Sussex won toss*): *Sussex have scored 97 for two wickets against Yorkshire*

SUSSEX: First Innings

N J Lenham c Stemp b Hartley	27
C W J Athey not out	30
K Greenfield b Hartley	26
*A P Wells not out	3
Extras (lb 3 nb 8)	11
Total (2 wkts, 35 overs)	97

M P Speight, C C Remy, F D Stephenson, †P Moores, I D K Salisbury, E E Hemmings and E S H Giddins to bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-30, 2-82.

BOWLING: Hartley 10-2-37-2; Gough 10-2-26-0; Robinson 8-3-18-0; Stemp 6-4-5-0; White 1-0-8-0.

YORKSHIRE: *M D Moxon, A P Grayson, R B Richardson, D Byas, C White, †R J Blakey, P J Hartley, D Gough, R D Stemp, J D Batty and M A Robinson.

Umpires: J D Bond and V A Holder.

Gloucestershire v Nottinghamshire

BRISTOL (*first day of four; Nottinghamshire won toss*): *Gloucestershire have scored 132 for five wickets against Nottinghamshire.*

GLOUCESTERSHIRE: First Innings

B C Broad b Lewis	21
G D Hodgson b Pick	13
R I Dawson b Pick	30
S G Hinks c French b Cairns	8
M W Alleyne not out	27
T H C Hancock c French b Lewis	11
†R C Russell not out	9
Extras (lb 5, lb 5, w 1, nb 3)	19
Total (5 wkts, 64 overs)	132

*C A Walsh, M C J Ball, K E Cooper and A M Babington to bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-26, 2-50, 3-63, 4-105, 5-122.

BOWLING: Cairns 14-3-36-1; Lewis 17-5-38-2; Pennett 14-5-26-0; Pick 15-6-29-2; Bates 4-0-5-0.

NOTTINGHAMSHIRE: P R Pollard, W A Dessaur, *†R T Robinson, P Johnson, M Saxelby, C C Lewis, C L Cairns, R T Bates, †B N French, R A Pick and D B Pennett.

Bonus points: Gloucestershire 0, Nottinghamshire 3.

Umpires: R Julian and N T Plews.

Hampshire v Leicestershire

SOUTHAMPTON (Hampshire won toss, first day of four): Leicestershire, with nine first-innings wickets in hand, are 107 runs behind Hampshire.

HAMPSHIRE: First Innings

R A Smith c Wells b Mills	5
V P Terry c Wells b Mills	4
K D James b Mills	22
D I Gower c Whitaker c Mills	4
*M C J Nicholas c Wells b Mullally	2
P M F Cox not out c Parsons b Wells	21
†A N Aymes lbw b Wells	22
M D Marshall c Wells b Mills	4
S D Udal c Nixon b Mullally	15
K J Shine not out	7
D P J Flint c Hepworth b Parsons	1
Extras (nb4)	4
Total (59.1 overs)	115

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-9, 2-14, 3-18, 4-52, 5-66, 6-79, 7-85, 8-103, 9-107.

BOWLING: Mills 16-3-21-5; Mullally 12-4-31-2; Parsons 13.1-8-13-1; Wells 14-4-36-2; Pierson 4-0-11-0.

LEICESTERSHIRE: First Innings

T J Boon not out	5
P N Hepworth lbw b Marshall	0
Extras	3
Total (1 wkt, 2.5 overs)	8

*J J Whitaker, V J Wells, P E Robinson, †P A Nixon, G J Parsons, A P K Pierson, D J Mills, M T Brimson and A D Mullally to bat.

Bonus points: Hampshire 2, Leicestershire 0.

Umpires: J H Harris and K E Palmer.

Middlesex v Lancashire

LORD'S (*first day of four; Middlesex won toss*): *Middlesex have scored 136 for the loss of two wickets against Lancashire.*

MIDDLESEX: First Innings

D L Haynes lbw b Watkinson	12
M A Roseberry c Yates b Watkinson	24
*M W Gatting not out	54
M R Ramprakash not out	27
Extras (lb 1, lb 2, w 5, nb 12)	15
Total (2 wkts, 45 overs)	136

J D Carr, †K R Brown, M A Feltham, J E Emburey, A R C Fraser, P C R Tufnell and N G Cowans to bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-31, 2-97.

LANCASHIRE: J P Crawley, *I A Folland, N J Speak, †N H Fairbrother, G D Lloyd, Wasim Akram, M Watkinson, P A J DeFreitas, I W K Hegg, G Yates, A A Barnett.

Umpires: J W Holder and A A Jones.

Warwickshire v Somerset

EDGBASTON (*first day of four; Warwickshire won toss; Warwickshire have scored 111 without loss against Somerset*)

WARWICKSHIRE: First Innings

A J Moles not out	53
J D Ratcliffe not out	44
Extras (lb 6, nb 8)	14
Total (0 wkt, 38.1 overs)	111

D P Ostler, P A Smith, *D A Reeve, Asif Din, M A V Bell, N M K Smith, †K J Piper, G C Small and T A Munton to bat.

BOWLING: Caddick 11-3-34-0; Mallender 8.1-3-12-0; Rose 5-1-20-0; Van Troost 5-0-26-0; Mushtaq Ahmed 9-5-13-0.

SOMERSET: A N Hayhurst, M N Lathwell, *†A Folland, *R J Harden, I Fletcher, R J Turner, G D Rose, Mushtaq Ahmed, A R Caddick, N A Mallender, A P Van Troost.

Umpires: B J Meyer and G A Stickley.

Yorkshire v Sussex

SCARBOROUGH (*first day of four; Sussex won toss*): *Sussex have made 97 for the loss of two wickets against Yorkshire.*

SUSSEX: First Innings

N J Lenham c Stemp b Hartley	27
C W J Athey not out	30
K Greenfield b Hartley	26
*A P Wells not out	3
Extras (lb 3, nb 8)	11
Total (2 wkts, 35 overs)	97

M P Speight, C C Remy, F D Stephenson, †P Moores, I D K Salisbury, E E Hemmings and E S H Giddins to bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-30, 2-82.

BOWLING: Hartley 10-2-37-2; Gough 10-2-26-0; Robinson 8-3-18-0; Stemp 6-4-5-0; White 1-0-8-0.

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Umpires: J D Bond and V A Holder.

Derbyshire v Northants

DERBY (Northamptonshire won toss, first day of four): Northamptonshire, with all first-innings wickets in hand, are 124 runs behind Derbyshire.

DERBYSHIRE: First Innings

P D Bowler c Lamb b Taylor	0
J E Morris c Fordham b Ambrose	0
C J Adams lbw b Ambrose	1
A S Rollins c Ripley b Bowen	19
*†K J Barnett lbw b Bowen	53
D G Cork lbw b Curran	21
M J Vandrau c Ripley b Curran	0
†K M Krikken lbw b Curran	22
A E Warner c Felton b Bowen	2
S J Base b Curran	0
O H Mortensen not out	3
Extras	6
Total (35 overs)	127

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-1, 2-2, 3-6, 4-52, 5-95, 6-99, 7-101, 8-104, 9-108.

BOWLING: Ambrose 7.4-3-9-2; Taylor 8-1-22-1; Curran 10.2-2-35-4; Bowen 9-1-38-3.

NORTHAMPTONSHIRE: First Innings

A Fordham not out	2
N A Felton not out	1
Extras	0
Total (no wkt, 3 overs)	3

BOWLING: Cork 2-1-1-0; Warner 1-0-2-0.

R J Bailey, *†A J Lamb, M B Loye, R J Warren, D Ripley, K M Curran, C E L Ambrose, M N Bowen and J P Taylor to bat.

Bonus points: Derbyshire 0, Northamptonshire 4.

Umpires: B Leadbeater and D R Shepherd.

No play yesterday

CARDIFF: Glamorgan v Essex.

Tour match

Surrey v Zimbabweans

THE OVAL (second day of three): Surrey, with four second-innings wickets in hand, have a lead of 197 over the Zimbabwean team.

SURREY: First Innings 304-7 dec (A D Brown 138, A W Smith 60).

Second Innings

D J Bicknell c A Flower b Brandes	7
R I Alikhan lbw b Brain	10
D M Ward b Brain	4
G P Thorpe c A Flower b Peall	37
A J Hollioake run out	38
M A Butcher run out	8
A D Brown not out	4
A W Smith not out	3
Extras (w 1, nb 2)	3
Total (6 wkts)	114

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-16, 2-21, 3-22, 4-91, 5-107, 6-110.

BOWLING: Brandes 7-0-46-1; Brain 7-2-12-2; Streak 4-1-10-0; Rowell 2-0-20-0; Peall 10-4-13-1; G Flower 8-2-13-0.

ZIMBABWEANS: First Innings

G W Flower c Butcher b Murphy	0
G Whittall b Hollioake	7
A D R Campbell c Kersey b Murphy	8
D L Houghton lbw b Alikhan	23
*†A Flower run out	11
G Brant lbw b Butcher	54
H Streak c Thorpe b Murphy	12
E Brandes c Kersey b Murphy	9
S Peall b Murphy	33
D Brain not out	26
D Rowell not out	8
Extras (lb 6, lb 10, w 2, nb 12)	30
Total (9 wkts dec)	221

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-4, 2-14, 3-30, 4-59, 5-59, 6-104, 7-134, 8-161, 9-197.

BOWLING: Murphy 21.7-58-5; Butcher 10-2-34-1; Hollioake 11-0-37-1; Bolting 14-1-51-0; Alikhan 3-0-15-1; Smith 4-1-20-0.

Umpires: P Willey and B Dudleston.

Test match

COLOMBO: Sri Lanka 168 (B N Schultz 5-48) and 49-4; South Africa 495 (W J Cronje 122, K C Wessels 92, A C Hudson 56, D J Cullinan 52, P L Symcox 50; M Muralitharan 5-101). *Rest day.*

□ Piran Holloway, 22, the Warwickshire wicketkeeper, is joining Somerset next season. The Cornishman, who made his Warwickshire debut in 1988, has agreed a two-year contract at Taunton. Holloway was educated at Millfield and Loughborough University.

Even though Keith Piper, Warwickshire's first-choice wicketkeeper, has been put of action for half of the season, Holloway played only two matches as his deputy, against Essex and Yorkshire. He scored his only first-class century against Worcestershire last season.

Rosser wins title

MARGARET Rosser, of Skewen, won the Welsh women's singles bowls title for the first time when she defeated Pam John, of Cardiff, 21-13 in the final at Brecon yesterday (David Rhys Jones writes).

Playing short jacks to counter the effects of the rain that fell throughout, Rosser took a 9-1 lead after eight ends, but John scored ten shots in five ends on long jacks to lead 11-9 after 13.

Reverting, with some relief, to shorter distances, Rosser, who was dropped by Wales last year, allowed John only two more singles, winning with a spurt of two troubles and a double.

Betty Morgan, the British indoors singles champion and Jenny Davies, notched up a notable double when she won the pairs and fours titles, while eight of their Llandrindod Wells club colleagues won the double rink title for the second time.

Ann Dainton of Barry Plastics beat Penarth's Janet Ackland, the 1988 world outdoor singles champion 15-10, in the two wood singles final, reversing the result of a recent encounter in their county championship.

Millns grinds Hampshire down

BY GEOFFREY WHEELER

AFTER the rain it was a day for fast bowlers, who were in the news on and off the field. Pride of place went to David Millns who took five for 21 in 16 overs to help Leicestershire dismiss Hampshire for 115 at Southampton, where did not start until after lunch.

Millns, an England prospect until an Achilles tendon ankle injury kept him him out of action for the first three months of the season, accounted for the first four in the order, including Robin Smith and David Gower.

Northamptonshire made even shorter work of Derbyshire, even though the players did not take the field until after an early tea interval. Thirty five overs sufficed for the home side to be dismissed for 127.

Although there was movement off the seam and some bounce, Derbyshire performed poorly. Despite the fact that 64 of their meagre total came in boundaries, six of their batsmen could manage only six runs between them.

Their plight would have been even worse but for a dropped catch at gully which reprieved Kim Barnett before he had scored, when the scoreboard was showing six for three. The captain went on to reach a half-century in 67 balls.

Kevin Curran was the bowler to benefit most. Aided by some injudicious strokes he took four for 35 to protect his potion at the head of the first-class averages. Curtly Ambrose limped off with groin strain just before the end but Derbyshire will be without Devon Malcolm for the remainder of the season. He has been told to rest a strained knee joint.

The Nottinghamshire seamers shared the five Gloucestershire wickets which fell for 132 at Bristol in conditions which should certainly suit the home captain, Courtney Walsh, who to the relief of the members and the disappointment of many other counties, has agreed a new contract.

"I feel I have three more seasons as a fast bowler and I am delighted I have been able to reach agreement to spend them with Gloucestershire," Walsh said.

Chris Broad fought hard for 97 minutes against the county which released him at the end of last season but had made only 21 when he played on to Chris Lewis, which left him 14 short of his thousand runs for the season.

Yorkshire awarded a county cap to new-ball bowler Darren Gough before the start of play at Scarborough where Bill Athey led Sussex to 97 for two before rain intervened. Peter Hartley took both wickets, cutting short a bright effort from Neil Lenham who made 27 from 22 balls before he was caught at slip.

One place the batsmen were on top was at Edgbaston, where Andy Moles and Jason Ratcliffe registered Warwickshire's first century partnership since July 1 as they put on 111 in 38.1 overs against Somerset, before an early finish because of bad light.

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7.00 Every Second Counts. Against the clock game show hosted by Paul Daniels (s) (3382)
7.30 Tomorrow's World. (Ceefax) (s) See Choice (519)
8.00 Bruce Forsyth's Generation Game. The first of a new series of the quiz game with a conveyor belt full of prizes. (Ceefax) (s) (2687)
9.00 Nine O'Clock News with Martyn Lewis. (Ceefax) Regional news and weather (1229)



Life on the run for Gibson and Hawn (9.30pm)

9.30 Film: Bird On a Wire (1990) starring Mel Gibson and Goldie Hawn. Fast-moving comedy thriller about a former stool-pigeon whose life is in mortal danger after his witness protection unit is disbanded leaving him an open target for the drugs barons he betrayed. Directed by John Badham. (Ceefax) (692132)
11.15 Film: Vamp (1986). A *Dr Terror's Vault of Horror* movie starring Grace Jones as an exotic dancer with an insatiable appetite for human blood. Directed by Richard Wenk. (Ceefax) (159923)
12.50am Film: The Mask of Satan (1961, b/w) starring Barbara Steele. A 17th-century witch is accidentally raised from the dead and begins to exact revenge. Directed by Mario Bava (3850782)
2.20 Weather (8076879)

BBC2

6.45 Open University (2241590)
8.00 Breakfast News (6079841)
8.15 Reviving Antiques. The care of ceramics (r). (Ceefax) (3723381)
8.20 Separate Tables. A documentary about the elderly residents of hotels along Eastbourne's Grand Parade during February (r). (Ceefax) (6501749)
9.00 Film: Sea Devils (1937, b/w) starring Victor McLaglen, Preston Foster and Ida Lupino. Action drama on land and sea about a US coastguard determined to marry the daughter of his captain who, in turn, is resolute that he will not Directed by Ben Stoloff (3677233)
10.25 Water Under the Bridge. The final episode of the Australian drama (r) (23415300)
12.00 Growing Places The Leeds garden of Joe and Frieda Brown (r) (8903381) **12.05 House and Home**. Weavers' homes in the Pennine town of Saddleworth (r) (7066346) **12.30 Crawl Into My Parlour**. The short life of the millipede, the prey of the dung beetle (2943749)
12.55 Jerusalem – Heaven and Earth. The history of the Holy City (7687381) **1.20 Fingermouse.** Puppet series (r) (77819039) **1.35 Great Vegetarian Dishes: Cooking With Kurma** Kurma prepares a summer patio lunch (68487045
2.00 News (Ceefax) and weather (60640126). **2.05 Beauty Is In the Eye.** A documentary look at the lovelies of the American Bible Belt region (r) (93112297) **2.15 Jumpcuts** (r) (60630749)
2.20 International Golf and Racing Second round action in the GA European Open from East Sussex National Golf Club, Uckfield, introduced by Steve Rider (s). Plus live coverage of the 2.40, 3.10 and 3.40 races from Goodwood (523107). Includes **News** (Ceefax) and weather at **3.00. 3.10 News** (Ceefax), regional news and weather (5142869)
4.00 International Golf. Further coverage of the GA European Open (s) (17379584)
6.20 Top Gear (r). (Ceefax) (s) (984316)
6.50 What the Papers Say. With Russell Davies (357120)
7.05 Parenthood. American comedy series starring Ed Begley Jr. (Ceefax) (s) (544652)
7.30 Athletics. The IAAF grand prix final from Crystal Palace (136923)
10.00 Gardeners' World. Geoff Hamilton visits the Dickleburgh, Norfolk, organic garden of Bob Flowerdew, Liz Rigbey finds flowers that are best for drying and Adrian Bloom discovers a species that thrives by the sea. (Ceefax) (s) (80792)
10.30 Newsnight. (Ceefax) (101855)



Bad move for Michael Maloney, right (11.15pm)

11.15 Screenplay Firsts: Money Talks (b/w) and **The Waiter**. See Choice (843958)
11.50 Weather (252213)
11.55 Feed. See Choice (267855). Ends at **1.15am**

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CHOICE



Bill Clinton goes to primary school (BBC2, 11.55pm)

Feed
BBC2, 11.55pm

A documentary of last year's New Hampshire primary offers a behind-the-scenes glimpse of the race for the presidency based on catching the candidates in unguarded moments. But anyone expecting the American equivalent of John Major's "bastards" will be disappointed. The politicians are made to look mildly foolish, as when George Bush sits silently and interminably at a desk waiting to deliver a television address. But there is little to embarrass President and Mrs Clinton, even about his supposed Vietnam draft-dodging or alleged extra-marital affair. The most striking thing about the film is not its revelations but a reminder of how quickly names fade. Who now remembers Paul Tsongas, who actually beat Clinton in that primary, or even Gennifer Flowers?

Class Action
Channel 4, 8.00pm

The education series is back, promising more hard-edged reports into topics of the moment. In one of tonight's items 15-year-old Sophie MacKessy offers a self-portrait of a truant. Instead of attending classes, she walked the streets. She puts it down to her parents splitting up and being picked on by other pupils. In the film she returns to her school and challenges the head for not doing more to help. *Class Action* also looks into the debate about GCSE standards and reveals wide variations between markers on the importance of spelling, tidiness and grammar. It also suggests that the process of turning marks into grades is less than scientific. A third report returns to a story from the last series, about a parent who moved house so that her son could attend the school of her choice.

Tomorrow's World
BBC1, 7.30pm

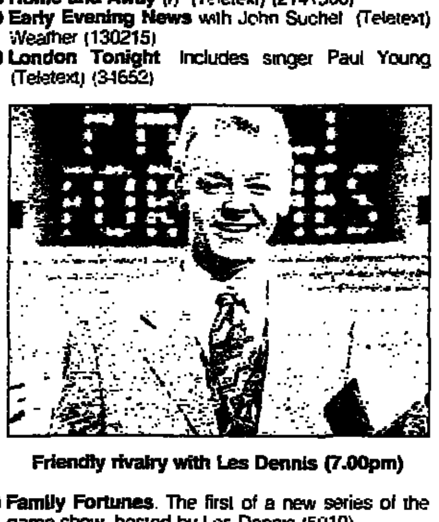
For all its *Blue Peter* jollity of its presenters, and tendency to concentrate on the watchable at the expense of the important, *Tomorrow's World* does manage to open up science and technology to those who might not switch on to *Horizon* or *Equinox*. The new series has a budget generous enough to sustain "city specials" from Los Angeles and Moscow as well as reports from Kenya, Denmark, Germany, New York and Chicago. Vietnam is the source of tonight's item about a research project which links the local star anise tree with a French liqueur. There is also a piece about an airliner which keeps catching fire but never burns. This unusual craft is used to train firefighters.

Screenplay Firsts
BBC2, 11.15pm

A worthwhile week of short dramas by budding film-makers ends with another double bill. In *Money Talks* writer-director Alrick Riley uses the relationship between two brothers to examine the drug culture on a high rise housing estate in south London. The older boy is a hustler and the younger, who is only eight, is in danger of going the same way. Tania Diez's film *The Waiter* was inspired by the experiences of her father. It is the story of Federico (Michael Maloney), a waiter who flees his native Spain during the 1960s and comes to swinging London. But he finds that working in a Mayfair restaurant is little better than the Franco tyranny he has left behind. **Peter Waymark**

ITV LONDON

6.00 GMTV Early morning news and entertainment (1202872)
9.25 Supermarket Sweep Game show set in a supermarket (1169923) **9.55 London Today** (Teletext) and weather (7622497)
10.00 The Time . . . The Place . . . Topical discussion series presented by John Stapleton (s) (8959749)
10.35 This Morning Weekday family magazine (20404233) **12.20 London Today** (Teletext) and weather (8901923)
12.30 ITN Lunchtime News with Dermot Murnaghan and Julia Somerville (Teletext) Weather (2036403)
12.55 Coronation Street (r). (Teletext) (2948294) **1.25 Home and Away** Australian family drama (Teletext) (66975229) **1.55 A Country Practice.** Medical drama (s) (61225300)
2.20 News headlines (60720316) **2.25 London Today** (Teletext) and weather (60729687)
2.30 Capital Woman presented by Anneka Rice (s) (294) **3.00 The Young Doctors** Hospital-based Australian drama serial (3229)
3.30 Alphabet Castle A child's guide to the alphabet (s) (3114132) **3.40 Tots TV.** Puppet series (s) (1447251) **3.50 Scooby Doo** (5047215) **4.00 Astro Farm** Cartoon series (8876381) **4.15 The Legends Of Treasure Island.** Episode one of a 13-part animated adaptation of Robert Louis Stevenson's classic adventure story (s) (8794316) **4.40 Knightmare.** A new series of the dungeons and dragons game (1529923)
5.10 Home and Away (r) (Teletext) (2141300)
5.40 Early Evening News with John Suchet (Teletext) Weather (130215)
6.00 London Tonight Includes singer Paul Young (Teletext) (34652)



Friendly rivalry with Les Dennis (7.00pm)

7.00 Family Fortunes. The first of a new series of the game show, hosted by Les Dennis (5010)
7.30 Coronation Street. (Teletext) (687)
8.00 You Bet! Matthew Kelly with a new series of the charity challenge show. The guests are Keith Barron, Michael Carruth, Ross King, Les Hill and Gareth Jones (s) (4855)
9.00 Film: Danielle Steel's Secrets (1992) starring Christopher Plummer and Stephanie Beacham. Glossy drama set in the world of Hollywood soaps about a recently bereaved producer's relationships with the cast of his latest *oeuvre*. Directed by Peter Hunt (Teletext) Concludes after the news (7519)
10.00 News at Ten with John Suchet. (Teletext) Weather (80738) **10.30 London Tonight** (Teletext) and weather (945381)
10.40 Film: Danielle Steel's Secrets continued (471126)
11.20 Dial Midnight. Phone-in chat and lonely hearts line With Larry Grayson and rock group Texas (s) (431841)
12.20am Tour of Duty. American Vietnam war drama series (r) (4508695)
1.15 The ITV Chart Show (s) (7459121)
2.20 Whale On with an alternative look at breakfast television (7140898)
3.25 TXT. Music and chat (8834614)
4.30 Cinema, Cinema, Cinema American films reviewed (66782)
5.00 Riviera. French drama serial (40256)
5.30 ITN Morning News with Tim Neilson (25256)

CHANNEL 4

6.30 Heathcliff. Cartoon adventures of a cat (2088519) **6.45 Wowser** (4457010)
7.00 The Big Breakfast presented by Chris Evans and Gaby Roslin (23107)
9.00 Saved By the Bell. American high school comedy drama series (19855)
9.30 Film: Randy Rides Alone (1934, b/w). A young John Wayne goes undercover in this western to infiltrate a gang responsible for a string of robberies. Directed by Harry Fraser (72045)
10.30 The Road To Avonlea. Canadian family drama (r) (58923)
11.30 Pro Celebrity Golf. Hale Irwin and Sam Torrance are joined by Tim Brooke-Taylor and Gavin Hastings (r) (72279)
12.30 Sesame Street. Early learning series. The guests are Whoopi Goldberg and James Galway (69039) **1.30 The Bluffers** Animated series, set in a forest (r) (29774)
2.00 Valued Opinion Max Robertson and Sotheby's expert Julian Stock explain when a work of art can be termed an "Old Master" (22329382)
2.25 Channel 4 Racing from Doncaster. Brough Scott introduces live coverage of the 2.35 (Coal Trade Benevolent Association Stakes), 3.05 (O and K Troy Stakes), 3.35 (Laurent-Perrier Champagne Stakes) and 4.05 (H Leverton Handicap Stakes) races. With Derek Thompson, Graham Goode, John Francome Jim McGrath, John Tyrrel and John McCririck (19527294)
4.30 Countdown. Richard Whiteley presents another round of the words and numbers game, with assistance from Carol Vorderman (Teletext) (s) (300)
5.00 Vets In the Wild A repeat of Monday's first of a three-part documentary profile of Dr Barkley Hastings and his work in the field of animal conservation (Teletext) (2923)
6.00 Hangin' With Mr Cooper. American comedy series (Teletext) (s) (565)
6.30 Happy Days Comedy series set in 1950s Milwaukee. Starring Henry Winkler (Teletext) (395)
7.00 Channel 4 News with Jon Snow and Zeinab Badawi (Teletext) Weather (500774)
7.50 First Reaction (s) (551364)
8.00 Class Action See Choice (2300)
8.30 Brookside Soap set in suburban Merseyside (Teletext) (s) (8107)
9.00 Garden Club Roy Lancaster, Rebecca Pow and Matthew Biggs meet gardeners in Matlock, Derbyshire. (Teletext) (1039)
9.30 Cheers. Frasier's colleague, Dr Ludlow (James Karen), has a whirlwind romance with Carla (Rhea Perlman) (r) (Teletext) (44039)
10.00 Nurses. Black comedy series set in a Miami hospital (Teletext) (s) (90720)
10.30 Paul Merton: The Series. Comedy from the deadpan funnyman, ensconced in a tobacconist's kiosk (Teletext) (s) (555132)



Bette Midler as a singer on the skids (11.05pm)

11.05 Film: The Rose (1979) starring Bette Midler, Frederic Forrest and Alan Bates. A drama with songs following the disintegration of a rock singer through drugs, drink and endless travel. The film won Oscar-nominations for Midler and Forrest. Directed by Mark Rydell (s) (36032584)
1.35am Trash Talk (r) (2910701) Ends at **2.05**

RADIO 1

FM Stereo and MW. **4.00am** Bruno Brookes (FM only) **6.00** Mark Goodier **9.00** Simon Bates **12.30pm** Newsbeat **12.45** Jakki Brambles **3.00** Steve Wright in the Afternoon **6.00** News 93 **6.30** Pete Tong's Essential Selection **9.00** Friday Rock Show **11.00** John Peel **2.00-4.00am** Steve Edwards (FM only)

RADIO 2

FM Stereo. **5.00am** Martin Kelner **6.15** Pause for Thought **7.05** Wake up to Wogan **9.15** Pause for Thought **9.30** Ken Bruce **11.30** Jimmy Young **2.00pm** Gloria Hunniford **3.30** Ed Stewart **5.05** Chris Stuart **7.00** My Music **7.30** Friday Night is Music Night Live from the Hippodrome, Golders Green, London **8.45** Helen Crayford **9.00** Listen to the Band **10.00** Radio 2 Arts Programme **12.05am** Digby Fairweather **1.00** Adrian Finighan **4.00-6.00** Colin Berry

RADIO 5

News and sport on the hour until **7.00pm**. **6.00am** World Service **6.30** Denny Baker's Morning Edition **9.00** Dilemmas **10.25** Johnnie Walker **12.30pm** Room 101 with guest Caroline Quentin **1.00** News Update **1.10** BFBS Worldwide **2.30** Sportbeat **4.30** Five Aside **6.30** Dr Who with Jon Pertwee and Elisabeth Sladen (3/5) **7.15** The Cuckoo Plant (final episode) **7.30** Popcall **8.30** Grand Prix Final **10.10-12.00** Rave

WORLD SERVICE

All times in **BST. 4.30am** BBC English **4.45** News and Press Review in German **5.00** Morgenmagazin; Tips für Touristen **5.30** Off the Shelf *A Country Doctor's Notebook* **5.45** Folk Routes **6.00** News **6.30** Europe Today **7.00** News **7.10** News About Britain **7.15** The World Today **7.30** Meridian **8.00** Newsdesk **8.30** White Nights **9.00** News **9.10** Words of Faith **9.15** Music Review **10.00** News **10.05** Business Report **10.15** Global Concerns **10.30** On the Move **10.45** Sports Roundup **11.00** News **11.01** Focus on Faith **11.30** BBC English **11.45** Mittagsmagazin **11.59** Business Update **Noon** Newsdesk **12.30pm** Meridian **1.00** News **1.10** Words of Faith **1.15** White Nights **1.45** Sports Roundup **2.00** Newshour **3.00** News **3.05** Outlook **3.30** Off the Shelf: *A Country Doctor's Notebook* **3.45** Global Concerns **4.00** News **4.15** BBC English **4.30** Heute Aktuell **5.00** News **5.10** News About Britain **5.15** BBC English **6.00** News **6.05** Business Report **6.15** The World Today **6.30** Heute Aktuell **7.05** German Features **8.00** News **8.05** Outlook **8.30** Europe Today **9.00** News **9.10** Words of Faith **9.15** The World Today **9.30** Science in Action **10.00** Newshour **11.00** News **11.10** News About Britain **11.15** People and Politics **11.45** Sports **Midnight** News **12.05am** Business Report **12.15** Worldbrief **1.00** Newsdesk **1.30** From the Weeklies **1.45** Recording of the Week **2.00** News **2.05** Outlook **2.30** Short Story: Remember Winter? **2.45** Jazz Now and Then **3.00** Newsdesk **3.30** People and Politics **4.00** News **4.10** News About Britain **4.15** Sports

CLASSIC FM

6.00am Nick Bailey **9.00** Henry Kelly **12.00** Susannah Simons **2.00pm** Lunchtime Concerto: Motter (Clarinet Concerto No 1 in A). Performed by Iasi Moldava Philharmonia Orchestra under Paul Popescu with Aurelian Octav Popa **3.00** Petroc Trelawny **6.00** Classic Reports **7.00** Classic Verdict **8.00** Evening Concert. Schubert (Incidental Music to Rosamunde: Hanover Band under Goodman); Beethoven (Incidental Music to King Stephan: Ambrosian Singers and LSO under Tilson Thomas); Khachaturian (Masquerade: Armenian PO under Tjeknavorian) **10.00** Michael Mappin **1.00-6.00am** Robert Booth

VIRGIN 1215

6.00am Russ and Jono's Rock 'n' Roll Breakfast **10.00** Richard Skinner **1.00pm** Kevin Greening **4.00** Tommy Vance **7.00** Emperor Rosko **10.00** Nick Abbot **2.00-6.00am** Sandy Beech

VARIATIONS

ANGLIA

As London except: 1.55-2.20 A Country Practice (61225300) **2.30-3.00** A Little Piece Of Heaven (294) **5.10-5.40** Gardening Time (2141300) **6.00** Home And Away (899294) **6.25-7.00** Anglia News (757855) **10.30-10.40** Anglia News (945381) **11.20** Film: Rent-A-Cop (979229) **1.05am** Whale On (7962430) **2.05** Raw Power (7564492) **3.05** Entertainment U.K. (2844966) **4.00** Get Wet (63614) **4.30** Riviera (82700879) **4.55-5.30** Jobfinder (8544904)

CENTRAL

As London except: 1.55-2.20 Shortland Street (61225300) **2.30** Material World (294) **3.00-3.30** A Country Practice (3229) **5.10-5.40** Movies, Games And Videos (2141300) **6.00** Home And Away (899294) **6.25-7.00** Central News (757855) **10.30-10.40** Central News (945381) **11.20** Secret Of The Sahara (431841) **12.20am** Whale On (6403121) **1.20** The Beat (7969614) **2.20** Entertainment U.K (7593904) **3.20** Beyond 2000 (1146508) **4.10-5.20** Jobfinder (7026492)

GRANADA

As London except: 1.55-2.20 A Country Practice (61225300) **2.30** An Invitation To Remember (294) **3.00-3.30** Take The High Road (3229) **5.10-5.40** The Munsters Today (2141300) **6.00** Home And Away (923) **6.30** Granada Tonight (232690) **6.55-7.00** Kick Off (928565) **10.30-10.40** Granada News (945381) **11.20** War Of The Worlds (367584) **12.15am** Love And War (78966) **12.45** The Twilight Zone (8292324) **1.05** Whale On (7962430) **2.05** Raw Power (7564492) **3.05** Entertainment U.K. (2844966) **4.00** Get Wet (63614) **4.30** Riviera (82700879) **4.55-5.30** Jobfinder (8544904)

HTV WEST

As London except: 1.55-2.20 A Country Practice (61225300) **2.30-3.30** Life Goes On (58312) **6.00** HTV News & Weather (923) **6.30-7.00** HTV Sportsweek (403) **10.30-10.40** HTV News & Weather (945381) **11.20** Married...With Children (312039) **11.50** Film. In The Aftermath (344958) **1.05am** Whale On (7962430) **2.05** Raw Power (7564492) **3.05** Entertainment U K. (2844966) **4.00** Get Wet (63614) **4.30** Riviera (82700879) **4.55-5.30** Jobfinder (8544904)

HTV WALES

As HTV WEST except: 6.00 Wales At Six (923) **6.30-7.00** Get Going (403) **10.30-10.40** HTV Wales Headlines (945381) **11.40-11.50** Married. With Children (358126)

MERIDIAN

As London except: 2.30 Take the High Road (294) **3.00-3.30** Shortland Street (3229) **6.00** Meridian Tonight (479565) **6.40-7.00** Southampton International Boat Show (778039) **10.30-10.40** Meridian News & Weather (945381) **11.20** Film: Cisco Pike (979229) **1.05am** Whale On (7962430) **2.05** Cinema, Cinema, Cinema (8194091) **2.35** Raw Power (2529072) **3.55** Cue The Music (5225985) **4.30** The Art Of The Landscape (66782) **5.00-5.30** Freescreen (40256)

TYNE TEES

As London except: 1.55-2.20 A Country Practice (61225300) **2.40-3.30** Murder, She Wrote (8629359) **5.55** Tyne Tees Today (494749) **6.30-7.00** Up Country (403) **10.30-10.40** Tyne Tees News (945381) **11.20** Film: Hell Night (979229) **1.05am** Whale On (7962430) **2.05** The Big E (7583527) **3.00** Film. The Kid From Brooklyn (63514053) **5.05-5.30** Get Wet (4363898)

ULSTER

As London except: 1.55pm-2.20 A Country Practice (61225300) **2.30** Take The High Road (6616229) **3.05-3.30** The Young Doctors (2372768) **6.00-7.00** UTV Live At Six (34652) **10.30-10.40** UTV Live (945381) **11.20** Prisoner Cell Block H (367564) **12.15am** Music From The Bridge (78966) **12.45** Pop Profile (8292324) **1.05** Whale On (7962430) **2.05** Raw Power (7564492) **3.05** Entertainment U.K. (2844966) **4.00** Get Wet (63614) **4.30** Riviera (66782) **5.00-5.30** Jobfinder (40256)

WESTCOUNTRY

As London except: 1.55-2.20 The Sullivans (61225300) **2.30** Gardener's Diary (294) **3.00-3.30** A Country Practice (3229) **6.00-7.00** Westcountry Live (34652) **10.30-10.40** Westcountry Latest (945381) **11.20** My Story (274045) **11.25** Love And War (304010) **11.55** The War Of The Worlds (612671) **12.50am** Around The World In 15 Minutes With Peter Ustinov (8551411) **1.05** Whale On (7962430) **2.05** Raw Power (7564492) **3.05** Entertainment U K. (2844966) **4.00** Get Wet (63614) **4.30** Riviera (82700879) **4.55-5.30** Jobfinder (8544904)

S4C

Starts: 7.00am The Big Breakfast (23107) **9.00** Saved By The Bell (19855) **9.30** The Lucky Texan (7382294) **10.25** The Road To Avonlea (8452126) **11.20** The Other Side Of The Moon (3306377) **11.30** Bobobobs (8132) **12.00pm** High 5 (81949) **12.30** Sesame Street (69039) **1.30** Presque Isle (8052565) **2.25** Channel 4 Racing (19527294) **4.30** The Secret Life Of Machines (300) **5.00** Trash Talk (6316) **5.30** Countdown (652) **6.00** News (348590) **6.10** Heno (851010) **7.00** Jacpot (3652) **7.30** Goreuon Graffiti (229) **8.00** Y Cymro Cryfa (2300) **8.30** Newyddion (930855) **8.55** Cerddorion Rwsia (205923) **9.30** Classic Golden Girls (44039) **10.00** Brookside (90720) **10.30** Paul Merton (555132) **11.05** The Rose (74900720)

RADIO 3

6.35am Open University: Generals of the Revolution — Brunel
6.55 Weather
7.00 On Air: Piers Burton-Page presents Byrd (Quomodo Cantabimus); Martinu (La revue de cuisine); Shostakovich (Incidental Music to Hamlet, Op 32); Malcolm Arnold (Guitar Concerto, Op 67, with Julian Bream)
9.00 Composer of the Week: Tippett. Triple Concerto, second mvt; The Blue Guitar, second and third mvts: with Norbert Kraft; String Quartet No 5 with the Lindsay Quartet and the Mask of Time, conclusion
10.05 BBC Welsh Symphony Orchestra: Jean-Bernard Pommier conducts a performance of Strauss (Don Juan, Op 20); Mozart (Piano Concerto No 27 in B flat, K595) and Saint-Saëns (Symphony No 3 in C minor, Op 78, organ). With Pommier (piano) and Thomas Trotter (organ)
11.40 Prom Artist of the Week: The pianist Maurizio Pollini performs Prokofiev (Piano Sonata No 7)
12.00 Des Knaben Wunderhorn: Settings by Mahler of texts from the collection of German folk poetry performed by Concertgebouw Orchestra under Leonard Bernstein with Lucia Popp, soprano, and Andreas Schmidt, baritone (r)
1.00pm News
1.05 Edinburgh Quartet: Robert Crawford (String Quartet No 2); Dvořák (String Quartet No 14 in A flat)
2.00 Youth Orchestras of the World: Bedfordshire County Youth Orchestra under Michael Rose performs Tchaikovsky (1812 Overture); Mahler (Symphony No 2, Resurrection). With Kathleen Livingstone (soprano) and Margaret Cable (mezzo)
3.50 Lawes and Jenkins: John Jenkins (Fantasies: No 3 in C minor; No 4 in D minor); William Lawes (Consort Suite No 4 in G minor); Jenkins (Fantasy No 8 in A minor, In Nomine No 1). With Nicholas Parle, organ. (r)
4.30 The Hassidic World of Music. See Choice
5.00 In Tune: Music and news with Edward Greenfield
7.30 BBC Proms: Live from the Albert Hall, London. London Baroque under Charles Medlam and the Choir of Kings College, Cambridge under Stephen Cleobury perform Byrd (Laetentur coeli; Tribue Domine; Attollite portas; O luz beata Trinitas; Laudate pueri); Handel (Concerto Grosso in G minor, Op 6 No 6; Silete Venti), Purcell (Come ye Sons of Art). At **8.10 Mr Handel of Brook Street**: a talk by Michael Oliver (r)
9.50 Miroco: An exploration in sound and music of the artist Joan Miró's *Harlequin's Carnival* (1924), with music by Richard Attree (r)
10.05 Berg and Brahms: Janet Hilton (clarinet) and Ronan O'Hora (piano) perform Berg (Four Pieces, Op 5) and Brahms (Clarinet Sonata in E flat, Op 120 No 2)
10.45 Poems of Earth and Ether: Miró's Dream of Creation Richard Calvocoressi celebrates the centenary of the artist's birth with an assessment of his career (r)
11.30 Midnight Oil: Alan Hall introduces an open-air performance of a late work by John Cage: Fifty Eight
12.30-12.35am News

RADIO 4

5.55am Shipping **6.00** News; Weather **6.10** Farming Today **6.25** Prayer for the Day **6.30 Today 7.45** Thought for the Day **8.43** The Penny World **8.58** Weather
9.00 News
9.05 Desert Island Discs with Evelyn Glennie (r)
9.45 Feedback with Chris Dunkley of the *Financial Times*
10.00-10.30 Dear Diary (FM only) for September 10, presented by Simon Brett
10.00 News; An Act of Worship (LW only)
10.15 The Bible (LW only). The Books of Ezra, Nehemiah, Esther and Daniel introduced by Dr Paul Joyce
10.30 Woman's Hour, introduced by Ruth Pitt. Includes an interview with Cilla Black as she looks back on 30 years of show business and a report on how people are becoming resistant to acne treatments
11.30 The Natural History Programme, presented by George Macpherson
12.00pm News; You and Yours, with Tasneem Siddiqi
12.25 The Gardening Quiz with Stefan Buczacki **12.55 Weather**
1.00 The World at One
1.40 The Archers 1.55 Shipping
2.00 News; Classic Serial: Tono-Bungay, by H G Wells (r)
3.00 News; Special Assignment
3.30 A Good Read: Edward Blishen and guests Piers Plowright and Amanda Theunissen choose three paperbacks
4.00 News
4.05 Kaleidoscope: Includes reports on a Lucian Freud retrospective in London, 600 paintings from the Barnes collection in Paris and *India Song*, a new play at Theatre Clwyd. Presented by Tim Marlow
4.45 Short Story: Meteor, by Stephen Amidon. Read by Stephen Moore (r)
5.00 PM 5.50 Shipping **5.55** Weather
6.00 Six O'Clock News
6.30 Going Places. Janet Trewin and Peter McCann visit Manchester
7.00 News
7.05 The Archers
7.20 Pick of the Week, with Chris Serle
8.05 Any Questions? John Edmonds, general secretary of the GMB trade union, Dr John Habgood, Archbishop of York; Simon Jenkins, columnist for *The Times*, and Dr Ann Robinson, head of policy unit, Institute of Directors, tackle the issues raised in Manchester.
8.50 Stop Press, with John Diamond
9.15 Kaleidoscope: The Contemplative Man's Recreation: John Bailey considers the enduring appeal of Isaak Walton's *The Compleat Angler*
9.45 Letter From America, by Alistair Cooke **9.59** Weather
10.00 The World Tonight, with Robin Lustig
10.45 A Book at Bedtime: The Trick of It, by Michael Frayn. In the final part, Richard Dunnett realises that the collected letters are all that remains of his life
11.00 The Comedy Network From Sunderland University, Harry Hill introduces the pick of the comedy acts who are touring the National Comedy Network
11.25 The Financial Week with Heather Payton
11.45 Rushes. See Choice
12.00am News incl **12.27** Weather **12.33** Shipping **12.43** (LW only) As BBC World Service

CHOICE

The Hassidic World of Music. *Radio 3, 4.30pm.*
Alex Knapp's accessible history of the mystical Jewish sect called Hassidism heralds the start of the Jewish New Year in six days' time. The peg he hangs it on is the vast collection of songs and dances that has built up since Baal Shem Tov founded Hassidism in the 18th century. He put song and dance before formal prayer. Listening to some of the rousing music on offer this afternoon, we can understand why straight-faced rabbis threw up their hands in horror at the break with age-old liturgical melodies.

Rushes: Sleeptalking. *Radio 4, 11.45pm.*
There is a place in radio for amalgams of sound like this, but it is debatable whether the best place is at the end of the day. We are sent off to bed in a very puzzled state of mind. Radio preview writers are lucky. We are told that what *Rushes* represents is a man's and woman's sleeping and waking moments. But, at any given point, will *you* be able to claim, hand on heart, that you have the true measure of it? Even the ringing of the alarm clocks, which we hear throughout the programme, is ambiguous. **Peter Davalle**

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SATELLITE

SKY ONE

6.00am The DJ Kat Show (78243942) **8.40** Lamb Chops Play-a-Long (2651687) **9.00** Cartoons (42107) **9.30** The Pyramid Game (86039) **10.00** Card Sharks (45855) **10.30** Concentration (6846855) **10.50** Dynamo Duck (9385942) **11.00** Sally Jessy Raphael (717681) **12.00** E Street (55671) **12.30pm** Three's Company (80855) **1.00** Barnaby Jones (78010) **2.00** Roots (7054590) **2.55** Another World (5955403) **3.45** The DJ Kat Show (1390710) **5.00** Star Trek: The Next Generation (9855) **6.00** Games World (6497) **6.30** E Street (7749) **7.00** Rescue (5364) **7.30** Full House (2661) **8.00** WWF Mania (28039) **9.00** Code 3 (79229) **9.30** Crime International (73519) **10.00** Star Trek: The Next Generation (59690) **11.00-12.00** The Streets of San Francisco (58861)

SKY NEWS

6.00am Sunrise (2294590) **9.30** ABC Nightline (44861) **10.30** 48 Hours (20749) **11.30** Business Report (40381) **12.30pm** News/Business Report (24565) **1.30** CBS News (25294) **2.30** 48 Hours (59478) **3.30** ABC News (68497) **4.30** News/Business Report (9774) **5.00** Live at Five (860958) **7.30** 48 Hours (5313) **8.00** World News Hour (22565) **9.30** Talkback (50497) **11.30** CBS News (33381) **12.30am** 48 Hours (63140) **1.30** CBS News (47965) **2.30** Holiday Destinations (53695) **3.30** CBS News (58140) **4.30** Beyond 2000 (67237) **5.30-6.00am** CBS News (47492)

SKY MOVIES PLUS

6.00am Showcase (8294478)
10.00 Lionheart (1987) The epic adventure of a mythical children's crusade in the 12th century (84671)
12.00 Darling Lili (1970) Romantic comedy with Rock Hudson as an American GI and Julie Andrews as a German spy (23687)
2.00pm Continental Divide (1981) An unlikely romance blossoms between John Belushi and Blair Brown (25942)
4.00 The Neverending Story II: The Next Chapter (1990) A small boy is drawn into the magical book he is reading (7667)
6.00 Lionheart (as 10.00am) (12478)
8.00 Sibling Rivalry (1990) Riotous black comedy starring Kirstie Alley as an unsatisfied housewife whose brief indiscretion ends in disaster. With Bill Pullman and Carrie Fisher (44292132)
9.40 Us Top Ten (731687)
10.00 The King of New York (1990) A violent thriller about a former mob boss trying to take over his old patch (67126)
11.30 The Hitman (1991) Chuck Norris goes undercover to avenge himself against his corrupt partner (583126)
1.05am Deadline (1992) Drama of a wife, an erring husband and a hitman. With William Russ and Cheryl Pollack (8261324)
2.30 Party Favors (1990) Comedy. A trio of strippers turn to pizza delivery when their strip joint closes down (619232)
4.05 Student Bodies (1981) A comedy spoof of stalk 'n' slash horror films (3015099) Ends at **5.35am**

SKY MOVIES GOLD

6.00pm Revenge of the Pink Panther (1978) Peter Sellers in his last performance as the bumbling French detective (83346)
8.00 The French Lieutenant's Woman (1981) Meryl Streep and Jeremy Irons star in this movie-within-a-movie, scripted by Harold Pinter (10646652)
10.05 The Long Riders (1980) Stylish but violent tale of the rise of notorious old west family gangs. Starring Stacy Keach, James Keach, Randy Quaid and David Carradine (714229) Ends at **11.40pm**

THE MOVIE CHANNEL

6.00am Kiss Me, Stupid (1964) Cynical Billy Wilder comedy starring Dean Martin as a libidinous singer promising to help a man's career in order to seduce his wife (36607687)
8.05 Peter Pan Animation (7930671)
9.00 Wind in the Willows Animation (54652)
10.00 A Bullet for Joey (1955) A police inspector unwittingly uncovers a communist conspiracy. With Edward G Robinson (82213)
12.00 The Happy Ending (1969) A mid-life crisis prompts a woman to take stock. Starring Joan Simmons, John Forsythe and Lloyd Bridges (21229)
2.00pm Ishtar (1987). Warren Beatty and Dustin Hoffmann star as inept songwriters caught up in Middle East intrigues. A modern reworking of the Bob Hope/Bing Crosby "Road" movies (23584)
4.00 Peter Pan (as 8.05am) (93855)
5.00 Wind in the Willows (as 9.00am) (2565)
6.00 City Beneath The Sea (1970) A science fiction fantasy about the first underwater colony (71520)
8.00 Bad Attitudes (1992) Highjackers on a private jet get more than they bargained for when they discover stowaway youngsters from summer camp (15565)
10.00 The Hard Way (1991). Michael J Fox stars as a spoilt actor, desperate to land a role in a new police thriller, who tags along with hard-boiled cop James Wood (86519)
12.00 Fatal Exposure (1991). A single mother and her children become the target of a demented assassin (556343)
1.35am Love Kills (1991) An unhappy wife discovers her lover's dark secrets. With Virginia Madsen (3015256)
3.05 Death Valley (1982) A stalk 'n' slash horror film. (2559140) Ends at **4.30am**

SKY SPORTS

7.00am Soccer (2341297) **7.15** Prime Bodies (771132) **7.45** Cycling (770403) **8.15** Soccer (9760749) **8.30** Trucks 'n' Tractor Power (25039) **9.00** Prime Bodies (12519) **9.30** Motor World (32861) **10.00** Boots 'n' All (99132) **11.00** Boot Room (13768) **12.00** World Sports Special (29855) **12.30** US Open Tennis (6521213) **4.00** US Open Tennis — Live (5861) **6.00** Soccer Weekend (55768) **7.00** The Big League Wigan v Leeds Live (328942) **9.30** US Open Tennis (40590) **11.00** Soccer Weekend (90861) **12.00-2.30am** The Big League (580091)

EUROSPORT

7.30am Step Aerobics (95316) **8.00** Show Jumping (90039) **9.00** Surfing World Championships (36377) **9.30** Mountainbike World Cup (34229) **10.00** Eurofun (72923) **10.30** International Triathlon (23671) **11.00** Motors Magazine (77756) **12.00** Formula One (44652) **1.00pm** Football World Cup qualifiers (66316) **3.00** Athletics: The IAAF season (86497) **5.00** Motorcycle Magazine (8958) **5.30** Formula One: The Italian Grand Prix (37768) **6.30** Eurosport News (8687) **7.00** Athletics: The IAAF Grand Prix Final from London (640316) **10.00** Motor Sports Report (61768) **11.00** Formula One (92229) **12.00** American Football Magazine (17275) **12.30-1.00am** Eurosport News (87546)

UK GOLD

7.00am GP (8706861) **7.30** Neighbours (8639768) **8.00** Sons and Daughters (1358300) **8.30** EastEnders (1357671) **9.00** The Bill (1348923) **9.30** Moon and Son (1675768) **10.30** Casualty (2639768) **11.30** Rhoda (3572355) **12.00** Sons and Daughters (1431687) **12.30pm** Neighbours (2133687) **1.00** EastEnders (8705132) **1.30** The Bill (2132958) **2.00** Are You Being Served? (5287300) **2.30** Bread (8006774) **3.00** Dallas (6261841) **4.00** Dynasty (7516738) **5.00** Blankety Blank (5278652) **5.30** Give Us a Clue (8000590) **6.00** Neighbours (8007403) **6.30** EastEnders (8925855) **7.00** Moon and Son (3739294) **8.00** Are You Being Served? (5274636) **8.30** Bread (5286671) **9.00** Casualty (3735478) **10.00** The Bill (1432316) **10.30** Rory Bremner (1345836) **11.00** Top of the Pops (6897823) **11.45** Dr Who (1369519) **12.15am** FILM: The Seventh Victim (1943, b/w) A woman's search for her sister leads her to a cult of devil worshippers (16964188) **1.30-2.00am** Video Bites (6786140)

THE CHILDREN'S CHANNEL

6.00am RatKan II, incl Pugwall (442881) **9.00** Jack in the Box (32958) **11.00** Stories Without Words (57045) **11.30** Say Ahhh! (58774) **12.00pm** Fame (99126) **1.00** Jack in the Box, incl Tumbledown Farm and Paddington (36774) **3.00** The Adventures of Teddy Ruxpin (9229) **3.30** RatKan II (8039) **4.00** Stunt Dawgs (3774) **4.30-5.00pm** The Girl from Tomorrow (9958)

NICKELODEON

7.00am Dawn Patrol (16855) **7.30** Guts (91590) **8.00** Kid's Court (17010) **8.30** Wild Side Show (16361) **9.00** Rabbit Ears We All Have Tales (96331) **9.30** Junior Story Time (30403) **10.00** Janosch's Dreamhour (85497) **10.30** The World of David the Gnome (96395) **11.00** Sharon, Lois & Bram's Elephant Show (15045) **11.30** Eureeka's Castle (82381) **12.30pm** Rabbit Ears We All Have Tales (41519) **1.00** The World of David the Gnome (15126) **1.30** Wisdom of the Gnomes (33590) **2.00** Janosch's Dreamhour (7652) **2.30** Junior Story Time (8652) **3.00** Jungle Book **3.30** Out of Control **4.00** Kablooey (3132) **4.30** Hey Dude (9316) **5.00** Clarissa Explains It All (4132) **5.30** Pete and Pete Special (7768) **6.00** Guts (7381) **6.30-7.00pm** Get the Picture (4861)

DISCOVERY

4.00pm Nature by Profession (3811120) **5.00** Adventure Hour (5368229) **6.00** Beyond 2000 (2036720) **7.00** Wild Sanctuaries (5369958) **7.30** The Global Family (8912381) **8.00** Japan: A Proper Place in the World (3746584) **9.00** Biography: Howard Hughes (8274395) **9.55** Only in Hollywood (3503749) **10.00** Twinsberg Ohio (1430958) **10.30** The Story of Rock 'n' Roll (1343478) **11.00-12.00am** Hollywood Autocrats

BRAVO

12.00pm Film: Sword Of Venus (1953, b/w) A plot to kill the Count of Monte Cristo's son and grab his estate (58533687) **1.15** Film: A Boy Ten Feet Tall (1962) A young orphaned boy treks across Africa in search of his aunt (83403768) **3.00** Bonanza (4461869) **4.00** The "New" Honeymooners (8919294) **4.30** I Spy (1096958) **5.30** Car 54, Where Are You? (8002958) **6.00** The Doris Day Show (8929671) **6.30** The Star and the Story (8910923) **7.00** The Mothers-in-law (5263584) **7.30** The Smothers Brothers Show (8916107) **8.00** Film, Cone of Silence (1960, b/w) An expert tries to prove that an airplane crash was caused by mechanical error (92035497) **9.45** An Linkletter and the kids (4764126) **10.00** Film: The Silencers (1966) The first of Dean Martin's films as secret agent Matt Helm. (1644774) **11.45-12.00am** Robert Benchley

UK LIVING

7.00am Hot Topics/Living Extra (8082136) **8.00** Fame, Fortune and Romance (1130478) **8.30** Living Daylights (1139749) **9.00** Divorce Court (1226229) **9.30** Hot Topics (7783478) **10.00** Fighting Back (4271590) **10.30** Living Extra (1142213) **11.00** Room to Change (3861039) **11.30** Entertaining on a Plate (3862768) **12.00** Practical Living (23490590) **12.15pm** Kilroy (9585855) **1.00** Crosswits (4723942) **1.30** Infatuation (7786565) **2.00** Days of Our Lives (4289519) **3.00** Agony Hour (3866584) **4.00** Crosswits (7678364) **4.30** Infatuation (1278328) **5.00** Living Extra (7517923) **6.00** The Full Treatment (5979331) **6.30** Floyd on Food (6228823) **7.00** Agony Hour (6325229) **8.00** The Young and the Restless (6236749) **9.00** Film: Willa starring Cloris Leachman (6231836) **11.00** Divorce Court (3846720) **11.30** You're on the Air with Dr Ruth (4277774) **12.00-1.00am** Days of Our Lives (8062362)

FAMILY CHANNEL

5.00pm Danger Bay (4774) **5.30** Wonder Years (3710) **6.00** Big Brother Jake (7923) **6.30** Catchphrase (4403) **7.00** Trivial Pursuit (1010) **7.30** All Clued Up (9377) **8.00** Snowy River: The Mcgregor Saga (82229) **9.00** Film: Follow Your Heart: an aimless young man finds a new life for himself when he stops an unjust lynching in a desert town (65010) **10.30** The Mary Tyler Moore Show (42774) **11.00** The Bob Newhart Show (76126) **11.30** Newhart (48565) **12.00-1.00am** Lou Grant

MTV

6.00am Awake on the Wild Side (451519) **9.00** Marijne (128710) **12.00pm** Greatest Hits (91584) **1.00** Simone (312861) **3.30** The Report (2427671) **3.45** At the Movies (2422126) **4.00** News (1232958) **4.15** 3 From 1 (1142381) **4.30** Dial MTV (1316) **5.00** The Soul Of MTV (6132) **5.30** Music Non-Stop (40478) **7.00** New Order — Past Present & Future (9328) **7.30** Most Wanted (85958) **9.00** Greatest Hits (91923) **10.00** The Report (983768) **10.15** At the Movies (971923) **10.30** News At Night (763749) **10.45** 3 From 1 (857132) **11.00** Marijne (75107) **12.00am** The Pulse (55459) **12.30** Marijne (18430) **1.00** Chill Out Zone (77966) **2.00-6.00am** Night Videos

TV ASIA

6.00am Asian Morning (7691120) **9.30** Serial: Karobi (40039) **10.30** Good Housekeeping (15855) **11.30** TVA & U (72900) **12.00pm** Hindi, Urdu & English News Bulletins (56923) **12.30** Serial: Khirkiyan (70045) **1.00** Pakistani Film (904671) **4.00** Kiddie Time (62923) **5.00** TVA — Dedicated To You (4107) **6.00** Close **7.00** Showtime with TV Asia (68671) **8.00** English News Bulletin (752039) **8.15** ID Youth (336897) **9.00** Hindi Film: Ek Ladka Ek Ladki starring Salmaan Kahn and Neelam (469925) **12.05am** Sat N Live (6691140) **1.00** Hindi Film, Dharam Sankat starring Vinod Khanna and Amrita Singh (2252072) **4.00** Serial: Bharat Ek Khoj (11072) **5.00** Serial: Hanclay Baslay (31546) **5.30-6.00am** Music

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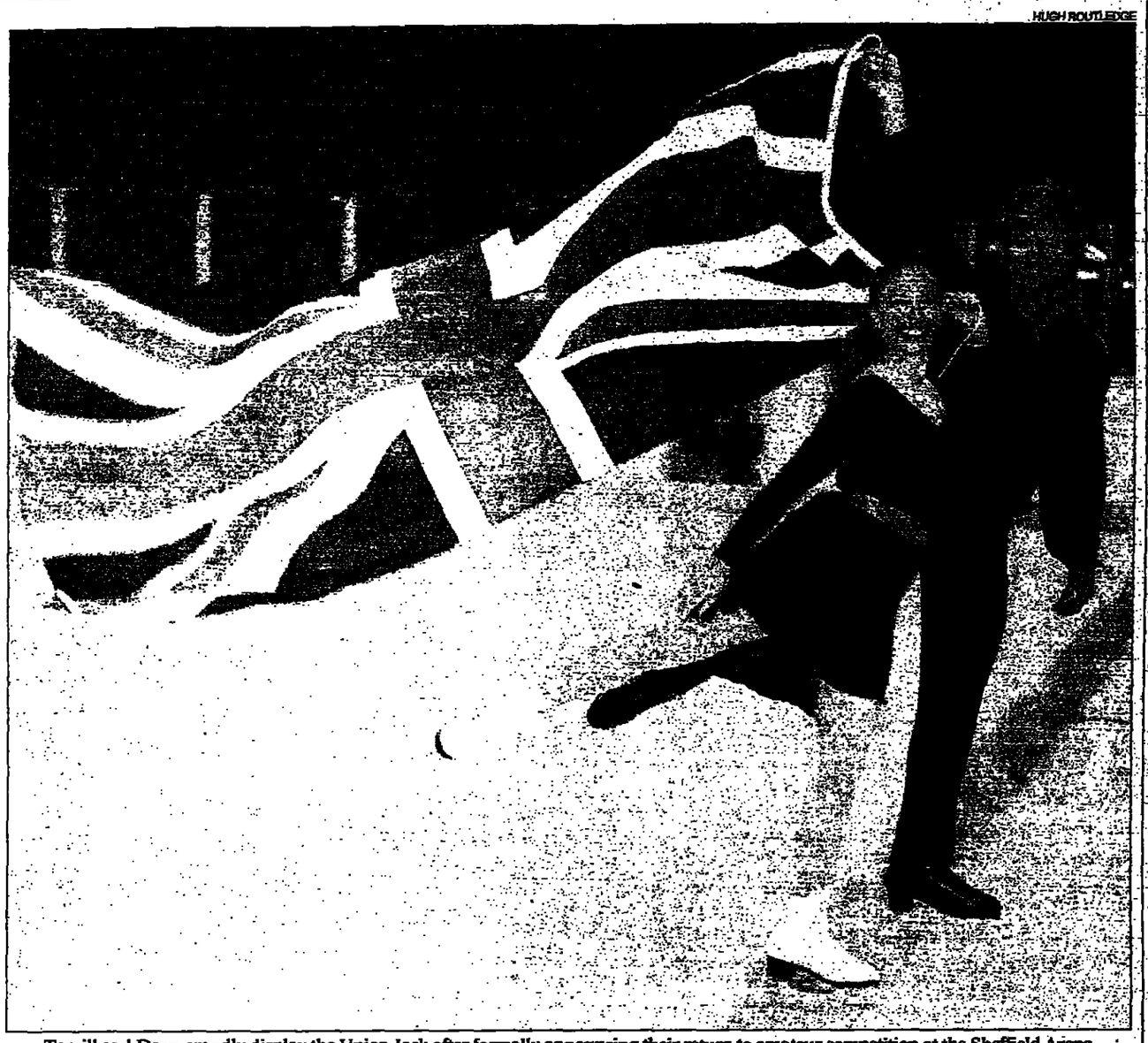
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Flags raised for return of Torvill and Dean

HUGH ROUTLEDGE



Torvill and Dean proudly display the Union Jack after formally announcing their return to amateur competition at the Sheffield Arena

BENEATH a Union Jack, and with watching officials of the National Ice Skating Association (NISA) wreathed in self-congratulatory smiles, Jayne Torvill and Christopher Dean formally announced their return to amateur competition at the British ice dance championships in Sheffield on January 7-8 after a decade's absence (Christopher Irvine writes).

If they remember to pick up an entry form. One has still to be filled. Forgetfulness is one of those problems about old age, a recurring theme of yesterday's press conference at the Sheffield Arena.

"How will you feel competing against people of your parent's generation?" Lisa and John Dunn were asked. To their left, Jayne Torvill ever-so-slightly bristled. The British junior dance champions were diplomacy itself, insisting they were looking forward to competing against their elders and betters.

The brother and sister are still in their teens. Christopher Dean and Torvill were 25 when they sent the rest of the world slip-slidin' away between 1981 and 1984.

"We get parents coming up with their children, who we give an autograph to, and they just look blank," Dean said.

This is not what the NISA is banking on. In the wilderness years since Torvill and Dean took themselves off to the lucrative exhibitions circuit, ice skating in this country has lost sponsorship and much of its television coverage.

Suddenly, the BBC is back, with a two-year coverage deal up to and including the world championships in Birmingham in 1995 and sponsors are forming an orderly queue in the build-up to Torvill and Dean's appearance in the Winter Olympics, in Lillehammer, Norway, next February.

Marseilles helped by Swiss court

BY JOHN GOODBODY

THE European Cup, the premier club competition in world football, was thrown into disarray yesterday when a Swiss court granted Marseilles, the holders, an injunction against Uefa from being banned from the competition this season.

On a day of legal action across the continent, Fifa, the sport's world governing body, gave supported Uefa, its European counterpart, and threatened to suspend France from all international competition if Marseilles, which is alleged to have tried to fix a match in the French league last season, did not withdraw its legal proceedings against Uefa or suspend its champion club.

The pressure is mounting against all the participants in the biggest scandal in the 38-year history of the European Cup, because Monaco, which this week replaced Marseilles in this year's tournament, play their opening tie against AEK Athens on Wednesday.

The French judicial investigation also escalated yesterday when the French police, acting on a search warrant, entered the Paris offices of Bernard Tapie, the Marseilles president and businessman.

Tapie told a news conference: "As we speak, there are ten inspectors in my office. There is nothing left for them to do, except take up the carpets."

The court in Berne yesterday gave Uefa, whose headquarters are in the Swiss capital, ten days to present its arguments and its officials face possible punishment, including prison terms if they ignore the injunction.

Rolf Steinegger, the Marseilles lawyer who sought the injunction, said: "Marseilles' owners will have to decide if they seek compensation for the damages they have suffered or whether they make peace and let sport play its normal role."

Tapie said: "I do not want to trumpet my case after this ruling. I simply wanted the right to defend myself and I do not intend to enter into conflict with the international football authorities."

He said that the suspension was a denial of the principles of common justice and complained that Marseilles were not given a hearing by Uefa when it reached its decision on Monday.

Noel Le Graet, the French League president, said: "I think it proves we were within our rights and that French law is not as bad as all that. I think the Berne judges decided to wait until the end of the enquiry."

Uefa did not immediately comment. However, the threat from Fifa, whose headquarters are also in Switzerland, to suspend France from all international football is pending. If Fifa does suspend France, the French federation may appeal to another Swiss court to get that suspension lifted.

With attitudes polarising, the French federation must be worried that the country's participation in the 1994 World Cup finals is in jeopardy, while the federation is expecting to host the global tournament, which a Frenchman invented, in 1998.

Fifa takes a hard line on civil court action and made a similar threat against the Brazilian federation last year when Flamengo, from Rio de Janeiro, started a legal action over a suspension. The club was later persuaded to withdraw the action.

Throughout the scandal, the French federation has insisted that it cannot act until the legal investigation has been concluded into the allegations that Jean-Pierre Bernes, the Marseilles general manager and a close associate of Tapie, and Jean-Jacques Eydelie, a Marseilles midfield player, who is now in Argentina, attempted to bribe three Valenciennes players.

The return of Tapie, who is also a socialist politican, to Marseilles yesterday was hailed by the club's supporters, bedecked in the white and blue of the club. He persuaded the Marseilles mayor and regional authorities to act as guarantors should he need to ask for further bank loans to cover an estimated £15 million loss of earnings should the club be barred from the European Cup.

England manager concerned at build-up to Holland game on October 13

Victory takes the strain off Taylor

BY ROB HUGHES
FOOTBALL CORRESPONDENT

THE albatross has slipped slightly from Graham Taylor's shoulders. Towards the end of Wednesday's tenacious, exhilarating England victory, Dick Advocaat, whose Dutch team are the next World Cup opponents, slipped away from Wembley looking a decidedly burdened man.

No matter that by morning Taylor was trying to lower the tempo, saying that "beating Poland means nothing unless we get points in Holland and against San Marino".

Fair enough. Hold on to some perspective: remember that the task is not to produce one night of euphoria but to progress from a group which still has four potential qualifiers — Norway, Holland, Poland and England.

But for once the negative feelings came more from Taylor than his critics. Although by yesterday he had the relieved glow of a man sensing he had found the turning point, it was he who pointed out the pitfalls: not knowing who will be fit for the game in Rotterdam on October 13; not being able to select the inspirational but now suspended Gascoigne; never knowing for sure that Ferdinand will perform away from home with quite the athletic power and self-belief with which he led the attack on Wednesday.

The questions should be about players, but in modern times the performers expect to be led, expect to be conditioned. For better or for worse, the focus still will be on Taylor. Yesterday his catch-phrase was "be strong". It is the motto from his schooldays, and he says it came to him as he sat high in the stands when the moment of decision arrived.

Gascoigne, as ever the uncontrollable cocktail of flair, fight and foolishness, looked like spoiling another night's work by getting himself sent off. Be strong, Taylor intoned to himself and, risking the continued presence of his playmaker, he was rewarded by Gascoigne's goal four minutes after the interval, a goal which visibly ended whatever resistance there was in Polish hearts.

There was by then a stirring unity between players and audience. What a pity that this same crowd, though totally devoid of hooliganism and prepared to cheer black players just as readily as whites, had yet again depressingly whistled down the Polish anthem.

Quite apart from the moronic lack of sporting spirit in this attempt to undermine Polish players, it showed ignorance that these young performers were representing a nation trying to lift itself out of a thousand years of being landlocked between the warring ideologies of East and West.

Sport is supposed to build bridges, not sink them. But Poland, it has to be said, arrived without much resistance. As they filed out of their



hotel two hours before kick-off, the players were pale, silent, inanimate. One felt they were travelling with defeat in mind.

What was strange was that England, with so many new combinations in defence, attack and midfield, seemed to find their rhythm and spirit at once. And the Poles? Their team had been raised together, from youth level upwards, where five of them were members of the 1992 Olympic silver medal-winning team. Yet, with nine of them playing overseas and seven of them having changed clubs since they played England in Chorzow three months ago, there was more disunity than one could expect.

> 'I've been accused of not knowing my mind. You know and I know that that's a load of nonsense'
>
> Graham Taylor

But Taylor's England, this time not complicating the strategy into anything beyond a basic English 4-4-2, was thorough. The team had been together for six days, but half of those, Taylor revealed, were used to rest players who came with bumps and bruises. The rest cure, rare indeed in our football, rejuvenated them.

"God knows who will be fit by October 13," mused the manager yesterday. "Apart from the league, and our clubs going out into Europe next week, Manchester United and Arsenal play one another on Sunday week, and that is usually fiercely contested." Six of the players of those two clubs are the nucleus of Taylor's latest selection.

Within the teamwork on Wednesday, it was obvious that the manager's own mood, his British sense of responding when the back is against the wall, had transmitted itself to the team. And it was still inside him when he was asked yesterday how the team of apparently disparate players had come together so completely.

He responded that "When I've tried to have a look at different things, I've been accused of not knowing my mind. You know and I know it's a load of nonsense. All good teams have flexibility, they meet what is required at any time, and the background of negative criticism has not helped."

He then, off the cuff, made a strange assertion. It was that "partnerships in international football; it's all a myth. You don't get enough games to develop partnerships, Les Ferdinand and Ian Wright are individuals, and the same with Tony Adams and Gary Pallister, who had not played as a twosome before."

Aside from the fact that Poland scarcely tested England's back four — they produced only two shots and both of those from 25 yards — Taylor's observation belies even his own team-building. At Watford he had profited by pairing the giraffe-like Ross Jenkins with Luther Blissett.

Being a student of the game, Taylor will also know of the chemistry between di Stefano and Puskas. And being the restless manager he is, he also once, to England's cost, broke up the partnership of Lineker and Beardsley.

But, as Taylor says, he will this weekend take a deep breath and home in on Holland. He will try, in effect, to put the albatross permanently on another man.

☐ Jack Charlton, manager of Ireland, wants to use England as warm-up opponents if his side reach next year's World Cup finals in the United States and Graham Taylor's side fail to qualify for the finals. The Football Association of Ireland (FAI) have reapproached the English Football Association with a view to playing a friendly in March or April, Sean Connolly, the FAI's chief executive, confirmed yesterday.

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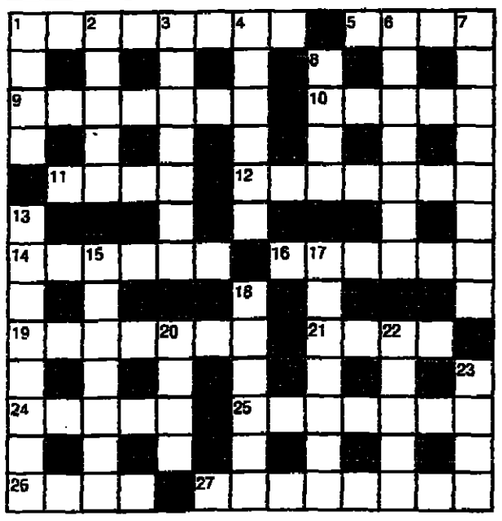
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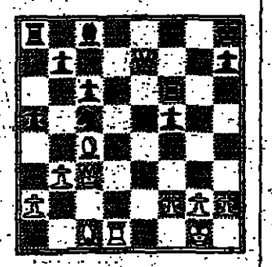
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WORD-WATCHING

By Philip Howard

APERT
a. Polite, thoughtful
b. Manifest
c. An apple/pear cross

SHIUR
a. A Jewish lesson
b. An Arabian hunting dog
c. To sweep or clean

GNATHONICAL
a. Sycophantic
b. With leporine teeth
c. Having internal rhymes

DULIA
a. Roman Catholic reverence
b. The white Amaryllis
c. Roman corn goddess

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